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#### **AREA PROFILE**

Butte County is situated on the east side of Northern California's Sacramento Valley. The surrounding counties include Plumas on the northeast, Yuba on the southeast, Sutter and Colusa on the southwest, Glenn on the west, and Tehama on the northwest. The county covers 1,675 square miles.

Rising from the Sacramento River, its western boundary, to the Sierra Nevada mountains, its eastern perimeter, Butte County elevation spans from 60 to over 7,000 feet above sea level and has a considerable variation in climate. Summers at the lower elevations are dry and warm, with temperatures at times topping 100 degrees. The valley winters are mild, with occasional frosts. At the higher elevations, on the other hand, temperatures are generally cooler throughout the year, and winter brings regular snowfall.

The portion of the county lying in the Sacramento Valley has ideal conditions for agriculture. More than 40% of the land area in Butte County is utilized for farming. Grains, fruits, and nuts are the most important crops. Rice and almonds each account for more than 25% of the dollar value of the county's agricultural production. Walnuts, prunes, kiwifruit, peaches, and olives account for significant commodity revenue as well.

Major transportation routes in the county include State Highways 99 and 70. Two railroad lines pass through the county.

The five incorporated cities in Butte County are Paradise, Chico, Oroville, Gridley, and Biggs. Chico is the county's largest city and is an urban center for the surrounding agricultural area. California State University at Chico, with an enrollment of just under 15,000 students, is located here. Bidwell Park in Chico is the third-largest city park in the world. From the university campus, the park extends 12 miles along both sides of Big Chico Creek.

The city of Paradise was incorporated during 1979 and is the second largest city in Butte County. Located 16 miles northeast of Chico, Paradise is mainly a residential community.

Oroville, the county seat and third largest city, is located near the site of the Oroville Dam, the world's largest earth-filled dam. The major industries of the Oroville area are agriculture, food processing, and the services associated with the surrounding recreational area. Located near Oroville are the farming and food processing communities of Biggs, Palermo, Richvale, and Gridley.

As of January 1, 2000, it is estimated that Butte County's population is 204,000, an increase of 1.90% over the previous year's revised estimate of 200,200. This rate is slightly higher than California's population growth rate of 1.69% over 1999.

Source: Employment Development Department / Labor Market Information Division

#### WHO ARE WE?

The Private Industry Council of Butte County (PIC) is a Private Non-Profit Corporation. It is jointly governed by a 19-member Private Industry Council Board and the Butte County Board of Supervisors. The Private Industry Council administers Federal and State Job Training funds for employment and job training and related programs and services.

The PIC is also a member of the Northern California Employment Network (NCEN). NCEN is a consortium of publicly funded employment programs providing a comprehensive array of employer and job seeker services in the counties of Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Lake, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, and Yuba.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

It is the intent of the Butte County PIC to:

- Encourage better use of resources through coordination and integration of goods and services;
- Make education, job training, and employment services universally available and accessible to all residents in Butte County;
- Assist partner staff in their efforts to continually improve the quality of local programs and services;
- Increase regional access to information and enhance our ability to communicate through increased automation capacity and Internet connectivity.

#### INTRODUCTION

The labor market information presented in this report was collected through a cooperative partnership between the Butte County Private Industry Council and the Labor Market Information Division (LMID) of the California Employment Development Department (EDD). This partnership is known as the California Cooperative Occupational Information System (CCOIS) and was initiated in 1986. This is the fifth year that Butte County has participated.

The goal of this publication is to improve the match between the labor needs of employers and the skills of job seekers by providing current, local occupational information. Information in this report is specific to Butte County. This year's report is comprehensive. You will find summaries of 60 occupations surveyed between April and September of 1998, 1999, and 2000, respectively. Additional occupations will be selected for study in successive years.

#### WHAT IS THE CCOIS?

#### Overview:

The California Cooperative Occupational Information System (CCOIS) is the local component of labor market research in California. It is a partnership of state and local agencies that produces local occupational and labor market information. The CCOIS is a statewide program that is operational at 35 sites that represent 58 counties throughout California. The local agencies, referred to as "local partners", consist of Workforce Development Boards, local Workforce Investment Boards and other workforce investment agencies, and Economic Development Agencies. At the state level, the Employment Development Department provides technical and financial assistance to the Local Partners and administers the CCOIS under the advisement and policy guidelines of the California Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (COICC).

The 2000/2001 Butte County Occupational Outlook & Training Directory is the official local report of the CCOIS. To provide continuity with the statewide program, all CCOIS reports will bear the title "Occupational Outlook" and the name of the geographic area covered by the report.

The CCOIS annual program cycle operates as follows:

- Occupations are selected for study.
- Survey samples are designed.
- Survey questionnaires are prepared for each occupation.
- Extensive surveys are conducted with local employers.
- Data is reviewed, coded, and keyed into a CCOIS database.
- Tabulations are developed and analyzed.
- Outlook reports are prepared, reviewed, and printed.
- Reports are disseminated to the "user" in the community.

#### WHY IS THIS RESEARCH CONDUCTED?

The information in this report may be used by a wide array of organizations and individuals for various purposes. Possible uses include the following:

#### Career Decisions

Career counselors and job seekers are able to make better occupational choices based on skills, abilities, interests, education, and personal needs. The localized information is easy to read and includes employer requirements and preferences, wages, labor demand, and sources of employment.

#### **Program Planning**

This report provides local planners and administrators with employment, training and placement data, as well as occupational size and expected growth rates. Program planners can use this data to evaluate, improve, and eliminate programs, or to plan new programs.

#### Curriculum design

Training providers can assess and update their curriculum based on current employer needs and projected trends, as indicated in this report.

#### **Economic Development**

Local government agencies and economic development organizations will find information on the labor pool, such as occupational size, expected growth rates, and wages useful in determining the potential for business growth and development in the local labor market area.

#### **Program Marketing**

Training providers can effectively market their programs by informing students, employers, and others that the chances for job placement are much greater because their training programs are developed using reliable local occupational data.

#### **Human Resource Development**

Small business owners and large corporate human resource directors alike can use this report to help determine competitive wages and benefit packages, improve recruitment, and assess the availability of qualified workers for business relocation or expansion purposes.

#### STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE MANDATES

Information produced and available through the CCOIS satisfies major federal and state statutory mandates.

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee believes labor market information is an essential structural element supporting all other programs and services under the new *Workforce Investment Act (WIA)*. Under WIA, a national employment statistics system is established, which is to be planned, administered, overseen, and evaluated through a cooperative governance structure involving the Department of Labor and the States.

The Welfare to Work Act of 1997 (CalWORKs), establishes welfare reform in California. The previous program that entitled recipients to aid with few limits is replaced. The new program assures that welfare is a temporary support in times of crisis, rather than a way of life; encourages and regards personal responsibility and accountability by recipients; fosters a "Work First" attitude by strict work requirements; and gives counties the flexibility they need to meet recipients' needs. The continuing nature of the CCOIS program enables the Butte County populace to acquire the most recent local labor market information to assist recipients as they transition from welfare to work.

Section 10533 of the *California Unemployment Insurance Code (CUIC)* requires the EDD to operate the CCOIS as the primary component of a comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system. The law states that the CCOIS shall serve as a primary source for local and statewide occupational information, and shall be available in all areas of the state. This law specifically requires the CCOIS to produce statistically valid occupational analyses for local job training and education programs, and it must be conducted by a local entity under the direction of EDD. Further, it must include the participation of local users of the information. The law requires the EDD and local entities to prepare occupational analyses using state occupational forecasts and other indicators of growth, combined with local employer surveys of recruitment practices, job qualifications, earnings and hours, and advancement and outlook.

In its annual plan to the Governor and Legislature regarding employer's demand for trained workers and changes in the State's economy, the Employment Training Panel is required by law to review labor market information provided by the CCOIS.

The Wagner-Peyser Act, which created the Job Service, provides that each state shall maintain an effective labor market information service, through which it shall provide for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of current labor market developments, employment trends, and employment opportunities.

The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act was established to meet the urgent needs for training, retraining, and employment development of adults. A key element in this legislation is the requirement that careful analyses be made of current labor market conditions, including a determination of future labor market needs. The amendments of 1990 call for greater use of labor market information to support the state plans of employment and training services and the objectives of vocational education.

Thus, the CCOIS contributes to the state's compliance with laws requiring accurate, reliable, current, and localized labor market information.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

To produce the occupational profiles, our research includes the following steps:

- <u>Occupational Forecast:</u> Occupational projections are developed by the Labor Market Information Division (LMID) of the Employment Development Department and are used to help identify growing and declining occupations.
- Occupational Selection: A variety of criteria has been established by the CCOIS Program and is used to help select the survey occupations. However, the primary objective is to survey occupations that are of most interest to the users (and potential users) in the community within the limitations of a standardized research program. For each survey year, a preliminary list of occupations was developed. The list was reviewed by representatives of community based vocational training programs, economic development organizations, educational institutions, the PIC, and other government agencies. Representatives of these agencies were asked to identify which occupations they would like studied. Based on the input of these organizations, some occupations were eliminated and others added. The list of occupations was reviewed and discussed with LMID, eventually narrowing to the 60 published within this report.
- Questionnaire Development: Specific information needs for each occupation are determined, and questionnaires are developed to respond to local information needs.

- <u>Sample Selection:</u> LMID generates employer samples by industry and employer size. Employers are contacted to verify that they employ persons in the occupation and are willing to participate in the project.
- Employer Survey: Confidential employer surveys are conducted by telephone, fax, mail, or in person. Completed surveys are reviewed for internal consistency and employers recontacted for clarification as needed.
- **<u>Data Entry and Tabulation:</u>** Completed surveys are reviewed and the responses entered into a CCOIS database that generates basic data tabulations.
- Written Analysis: The data from those tabulations and other relevant information is carefully analyzed to prepare the individual occupation profiles. Sufficient information was obtained to develop profiles for the 60 occupations surveyed.
- Report Distribution: The written analysis is presented at a public dissemination meeting, which is the initial step in publicizing the occupational information collected. The Occupational Outlook Report is also distributed to high schools and community college career counselors, vocational rehabilitation offices, the library systems throughout the County, and various other social service agencies.
- **<u>Data Destruction:</u>** Data tabulations and employer surveys are destroyed to safeguard specific individual employer information.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF INDIVIDUAL OCCUPATIONAL PROFILES**

The following is a brief description of the profiles contained in the 2000/2001 Occupational Outlook Report, and includes definitions of the terms used to describe the survey results:

#### OCCUPATIONAL TITLES, CODES AND DEFINITIONS

Most occupations surveyed in this report have a six-digit occupational code and definition from the standard Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) classification system. OES descriptions are broader in scope than the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT) classification system; each OES code may include several of the more detailed DOT titles. A few occupational definitions not identified with an OES code usually reflect an attempt to survey an occupation that the OES system either doesn't identify or doesn't define sufficiently. Because of the lack of OES projections data, these "Non-OES" occupational surveys sometimes lack the reliability of a standard OES occupational survey.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

• Education and Training & Experience: Survey responses to questions regarding education, training, and work experience needed to obtain employment are summarized here. Employers are asked about education and training prerequisites. Additionally, employers are asked if they require work experience and what type of experience is required. When appropriate, occupational summaries may be supplemented by

State requirements from the most recent publication of the California Professional & Business License Handbook, August 1999.

Note: The new questionnaire for Program Years 1999 and 2000 asks for the level of education that the firm requires for the survey occupation. For occupations studied in 1999 and 2000, while minimum educational requirements have been shown as employers expressed them, these educational requirements are not always essential for the performance of job duties. Because the lack of education will create a barrier with some employers, employers' educational statements have been included in this report.

The terms used in this section and throughout the report to describe for occupations studied are as follows:

**All:** 100% of survey responses

Almost All: 80% up to but not including 100%

Most: 60% up to but not including 80% Many: 40% up to but not including 60% Some: 20% up to but not including 40% Few: less than 20% of the survey responses

• Skills and Qualifications: Employers are asked to list those skills that are necessary to perform the functions of the occupation being surveyed and skills important for career advancement. As skills are widely recognized as being

transferable in nature, employers' responses in Program Year 2000 are supplemented-- when appropriate--with skills from the Occupational Information Network (O\*NET), a comprehensive database of worker attributes and job characteristics. O\*NET is being developed as a timely, easy-to-use resource that supports public and private sector efforts to identify and develop the skills of the American workforce. Additionally, employer-specified skills provided by LMID are also included in this section.

#### WAGES AND BENEFITS

• Wages: The purpose of this section is to report the approximate wage ranges and medians for the occupations and to provide a rough measure for comparing the wages of various occupations. The range and median of hourly wages are presented for three categories of employees: new hires with no experience, persons trained or otherwise qualified, but with no paid experience in the occupation; new hires with experience, experienced persons, but those just starting with the firm; after three years with the firm, persons who have had at least three years of experience in the occupation with that employer.

One wage section is used when the percent of union employment is either greater than 80% or less than 20%. Two wage sections occur when the percent of union employment is from 20% to 80%, and there is no violation of confidentiality.

Wages included in this report are those paid by the employers participating in the survey for employees at three levels of experience. The report does not include extreme wages. Although wages are shown to the nearest cent for ease of comparison, the reader should not interpret this as an indication

of precision (wages rounded to the nearest quarter are still considered to be representative).

- **Hours Worked:** The distribution of full-time, part-time, on-call and temporary employees is reported in this section, together with the average number of hours worked per week. If the distribution is less than 20%, it is considered negligible for the purposes of this section, thus generally not reported.
- **Benefits:** This section presents the types of fringe benefits employers' offer. Information is presented on the percentage of employers providing each of the benefits to their employees, identifying who pays the benefit (employer paid, shared cost, or employee pays all) for full-time employees. When part-time employment is a significant percentage of the occupational total (20% or more), this breakdown shall also be reported.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

• Supply and Demand: This section presents information on the methods employers use to recruit new employees and the difficulty in finding applicants to fill vacancies. Each employer was asked to list the three most successful recruitment methods used. Employers were asked to rate on a four-point scale the difficulty they have in finding experienced or inexperienced replacements to fill vacancies. The employers' responses are combined with a weighted average using a formula including the number of new hires and the number of firms.

For occupations studied in 1998, the following terms are used to describe the difficulty in finding applicants:

<u>Great Difficulty:</u> Employer demand is considerably greater than supply of qualified applicants. Applicants may find *little competition* for job openings.

**Some Difficulty:** Employer demand is somewhat greater than the supply of qualified applicants. Applicants may find opportunities for job openings *somewhat competitive*.

<u>Little Difficulty:</u> Worker supply is somewhat larger than demand for qualified applicants, and applicants may experience competition in job seeking. Applicants may find opportunities for job openings *competitive*.

<u>No Difficulty:</u> Supply of qualified applicants is considerably greater than demand, creating a very competitive job market for applicants. Applicants may find opportunities for job openings *very competitive*.

For occupations studied in 1999 & 2000, the following terms are used to describe the difficulty in finding applicants:

<u>Very Difficult:</u> Employer demand is considerably greater than supply of qualified applicants. Employers often cannot find qualified applicants when an opening exists. This means that qualified applicants encounter no competition in their job search.

Moderately Difficult: Employer demand is somewhat greater than the supply of qualified applicants. Employers may have some difficulty finding qualified applicants at times and applicants may find moderate competition in their job search.

**Not Difficult:** Supply of qualified applicants is considerably greater than demand, creating a very competitive job market for applicants.

- <u>Recruitment Methods:</u> Employers are asked to indicate their most successful hiring methods.
- Employer Responses: Displays the number of useable surveys received from the employer community and their total number of employees represented for the specific occupation.
- <u>Size of Occupation & Projections:</u> This section presents the seven-year growth and job openings projections provided through the LMID OES program. It also summarizes the size of employment in the occupation, based on percentage of the total employment in the consortium. For occupations studied in 1998 and 1999, the following scale is used to measure occupational size:

Small Less than 92 Medium 92 - 183 Large 184 - 397 Very Large 398 and above

For occupations studied in 2000, the following scale is used to measure occupational size:

 Small
 Less than 101

 Medium
 101 - 202

 Large
 203 - 438

 Very Large
 439 and above

Occasionally, LMID projection data may differ from the data employers provide. The data are different because occupational projections reflect historical trends so that the future is expected to be like the past. The growth or decline in occupational projections is a factor of the growth or decline in industries.

- Gender: This section presents the distribution of male and female employees as reported by firms responding to this survey.
- Growth Trends: This is an overview of projected new job growth rates in relation to the overall new job growth rate (18.7% for period 1995 2002, and 10.9% for period 1997 2004) for the county. The following terms are applied to the occupational growth trends in Butte County:

Much faster than average: 1.50 times average or more

Faster than average: 1.10 to but not including

1.50 times average

Average: 0.90 to but not including

1.10 times average

Slower than average: 0.10 to but not including

0.90 times average

No Significant Change: -0.10 to but not including

0.10 times average

Slow Decline: less than –0.10 times

average

• Where the Jobs Are: This section identifies the major employing industries for each occupation, indicated by a

percentage of the occupation's employment in specific industries. These are industry staffing patterns generated by LMID.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

- <u>Alternative Job Titles:</u> This section lists other job titles used by employers that meet the standard occupational definition.
- Related DOT Code: The Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT) is a comprehensive and standardized national occupational coding system. The occupational definitions are arranged by nine-digit DOT codes. The definitions include major task elements of the job, task variables, alternative job titles, industry designations, and related occupations. The DOT is available from U.S. Government Bookstores, Bureau of Labor Statistics, or the Superintendent of Documents.
- Nontraditional Occupations are those in which the Department of Labor classifies as fewer than 25% of the workers are female. For Program Year 2000, it is determined that this section be omitted, as gender information collected in one county may hardly be representative of aggregate information on a national scale.
- <u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> Employers are asked whether or not they promote employees to a higher level position. If so, we seek the occupational titles to which they may be promoted.
- <u>Turnover</u> is calculated for each occupation based on vacancies (resulting from promotions or employees leaving the firm) filled

over the last 12 months, divided by the total reported number of employees among firms responding to the survey.

For Program Years 1999 and 2000, it is determined that turnover terms are arbitrary in nature. Therefore, occupational summaries will include only turnover percentages based on useable surveys—leaving judgements to the report reader as to their meaning.

• <u>Unionization and Collective Bargaining:</u> Employers surveyed are asked if the wages for employees in the occupation are subject to a collective bargaining or union agreement.

# OCCUPATIONAL SUMMARIES

#### **ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS**

#### **OES 211140**

Accountants and Auditors examine, analyze, and interpret accounting records for the purpose of giving advice or preparing statements and installing or advising on systems of recording costs or other financial and budgetary data.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Almost all recent hires possess a bachelor's degree. Some employers seek candidates who have received additional training in becoming Certified Public Accountants.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they usually or always require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 60 months of experience as an accounting clerk, auditor, accountant, bookkeeper, or financial manager.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	76%
Vision Insurance:	65%
Life Insurance:	76%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	94%
Retirement Plan:	88%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Accountants & Auditors work full-time averaging 42 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$18.82	\$11.26	\$11.51
New Hires, With Experience:	\$8.63 - \$30.14	\$16.40	\$22.82
After Three Years With Firm:	\$9.59 - \$33.56	\$18.70	\$31.32

WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Accounting, Auditing, & Bookkeeping	16.20%
Government	10.00%
Services	8.50%
Retail Trade	7.30%
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	6.70%
Health Services	6.30%
Social Services / Membership Organiz	5.80%
Manufacturing	4.20%
Educational Services	2.10%
Other	32.90%

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Business math skills

Government accounting skills

Ability to conduct an audit

Cost accounting skills

Tax accounting skills

Estate planning skills

Financial planning skills

Ability to use accounting software

Certified Public Accountant (CPA) desirable

Verbal presentation / Oral communication skills

Ability to write effectively & legibly

Problem solving skills

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Emerging skills place an emphasis on computer knowledge, especially in terms of word processing, spreadsheet, and database

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, private employment agencies, in-house promotion or transfer, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	X
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Accountants and Auditors
Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Controller, Director of Fiscal Services, Finance Director, Business Manager

**Related DOT Code:** 160.162-018, 160.162-022, 160.162-026,

160.167-054

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to senior management

positions

<u>Nontraditional Occupation:</u> No. Employers responding report that 62% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate. The rate is 12.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 290 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 40
Total Openings: 80

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 13.8%, which is growing slower than the average rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 50 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION ATTENDANTS

#### **OES 680140**

Amusement and Recreation Attendants perform a variety of duties at amusement or recreation facilities. They schedule the use of recreation facilities and allocate equipment to participants of sporting events or recreational pursuits, collect fees for games played, set pins, prepare billiard tables, provide caddying and other services for golfers, and operate carnival rides and amusement concessions.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Most employers report that they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to hiring an applicant in this occupation. Most indicate they do not require vocational or technical training prior to employment. However, most express that their firm will accept training as a substitute for experience in this occupation.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 6 - 12 months of proven customer service, cashiering, or other clerical-related experience.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

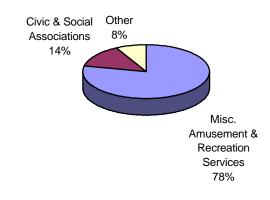
	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	15%
Dental Insurance:	15%
Vision Insurance:	8%
Life Insurance:	15%
Paid Vacation:	23%
Paid Sick Leave:	23%
Retirement Plan:	15%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Amusement and Recreation Workers work seasonally, averaging 24 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 19 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 6.00	\$5.75
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 7.54	\$6.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.10 - 11.62	\$7.50

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 13 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to make change

Ability to operate a cash register

Possession of a valid driver's license

Telephone answering skills

Good physical condition

Ability to stand for prolonged periods

Ability to tolerate noise, dust, and fumes

Willingness to work with close supervision

Public contact skills / customer service skills

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions / pay attention to detail

Ability to write legibly

Oral communication skills / good phone skills

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Facility Attendant, Skate Attendant, Starter, Counter Help, Recreation Counselor, Usher, Ticket Taker

**Related DOT Code:** 341.464-010, 341.683-010, 341.367-010, 195.367-030, 342.657-014, 343.467-014, 349.664-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to office supervisor, program director, cashier, and a variety of other positions that carry additional responsibilities

**No.** Employers responding report that 51% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 13.3% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult	X	

The Job Market for: Amusement and Recreation Attendants

Experienced applicants: Very Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 13 employers, representing 188 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 130 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 60

Separations to 2002: 50
Total Openings: 110

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 46.2%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate growth in this occupation over the same period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 49% of workers ae male, 51% female.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

### ASSEMBLERS AND FABRICATORS -- EXCEPT MACHINE, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, AND PRECISION OES 939560

Assemblers and Fabricators in this category assemble and/or fit together parts to form complete units or subassemblies at a bench, conveyor line, or on the floor. Their work may involve the use of hand tools, power tools and special equipment in order to carry out fitting and assembly operations. Please include assemblers whose duties are of a nonprecision nature. Please do not include electrical, electronic, machine and precision assembly, and workers who perform specialized operations exclusively as a part of assembly operations, such as riveting, welding, soldering, or machining.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Almost all recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Few employers require training prior to employment, but indicate a preference for on-the-job training. Those requiring training report seeking candidates who have demonstrated mechanical aptitude.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they usually require work experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of experience in various areas of assembly, such as woodworking, carpentry, or general production.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	87%
Dental Insurance:	40%
Vision Insurance:	33%
Life Insurance:	53%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	53%
Retirement Plan:	53%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Assemblers & Fabricators work full-time averaging 40 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$10.00	\$6.25	\$10.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$12.00	\$7.00	\$12.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.75 - \$19.00	\$9.00	\$18.00

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Transportation Equipment	44.90%
Dental Equipment and Supplies	17.00%
Industrial and Commercial Machinery	6.80%
Lumber, Wood Products & Furniture	5.00%
Sporting and Athletic Goods	4.80%
Retail Trade	2.30%
Industrial Supplies	2.30%
Newspapers	2.00%
Electronic Components	1.40%
Other	13.50%

#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to use and read a tape measure

Ability to read blueprints

Ability to read working drawings

Ability to perform assembly work

Ability to use hand tools

Ability to operate power tools

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to do arithmetic using fractions and decimals

Manual dexterity

Good eye-hand coordination

Possession of good color perception

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Ability to lift at least 50 pounds repeatedly

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Ability to perform routine, repetitive work

Ability to work independently

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, newpaper ads, private employment agancies, and unsolicited applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	
Little Difficulty		Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Assemblers and Fabricators

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Production Workers, Builders,

Finishers

Related DOT Code: 729.684-054, 762.684-066, 754.684-042, 762.684-010, 714.684-010, 806.684-010, 762.687-070

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to lead assembly positions, shipping & packaging positions, or to supervisory role

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 23% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 23.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 600 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 70

Separations to 2002: 100 Total Openings: 170

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 11.7%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Many anticipate new growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 621 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### **AUTOMOTIVE BODY AND RELATED REPAIRERS**

#### **OES 853050**

Automotive Body and Related Repairers repair, repaint, and refinish automotive vehicle bodies, straighten vehicle frames, and replace damaged vehicle glass.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to hiring in this occupation. Many indicate they require or prefer technical training before hiring. They report that ASE certification, ICAR certification, and junior college courses are sought in candidates. ICAR, completed in stages, is often undertaken while on the job.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 36 months of previous automotive body repair experience. Additionally, employers express a strong preference for those with keen mechanical aptitude.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	47%
Dental Insurance:	18%
Vision Insurance:	12%
Life Insurance:	18%
Paid Vacation:	82%
Paid Sick Leave:	12%
Retirement Plan:	24%

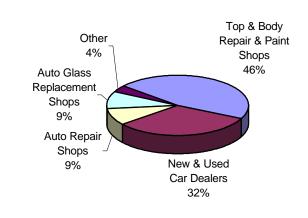
<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Automotive Body and Related Repairers work full-time averaging 41 hours per week.

*Wages:	Range	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.50 - 7.50	\$7.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.50 - 12.59	\$10.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$12.00 - 18.00	\$15.75

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Skill in working with fiberglass

ICAR / ASE Certification

Ability to operate power hand tools

Masking skills

Ability to apply various painting techniques and skills

Welding skills

Ability to tolerate dust and paint fumes

Possession of good color perception

Ability to lift at least 70 pounds repeatedly

Possession of mechanical skills

Basic math skills

People skills

Ability to work independently

Emerging skills include increased knowledge of electronics, new plastic repair, computer-related skills to access car databases, ability to read directions for chemicals, keeping up on new car manufacturing changes

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Body Repair, Auto Body Technician, Bodymen, Painters, Collision Repair Technician

**Related DOT Code:** 807.381-010, 807.381-018, 807.381-030, 807.484-010, 807.684-010, 845.381-018, 865.684-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted from painter, detailer, sander to bodyman to head bodyman; may be promoted from bodyman to journey bodyman, estimator, or front office worker

<u>Nontraditional Occupation:</u> Yes. Employers responding report that 0% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 13.1% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, referrals from other body shops, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Automotive Body & Related Repairers

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 99 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 100 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 40

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 20.0%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Many anticipate new growth over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are male, 0% are female.

#### **AUTOMOTIVE MECHANICS**

**OES 853020** 

Automotive Mechanics adjust, repair, and overhaul automotive vehicles. They may be designated according to specialties, such as Brake Repairers, Transmission Mechanics, or Front-end Mechanics. Does not include Auto Body Repairers, Bus and Truck Mechanics, Diesel Engine Specialists, and Electrical Systems Specialists.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Among those surveyed, all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Most indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months of prior auto repair or related experience.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to repair machines or systems using the needed tools Install equipment, machines, wiring, or programs to meet specifications Able to determine what is causing an operating error and deciding what to do about it

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to perform routine maintenance and determine when and what kind of maintenance is needed

Able to conduct tests to determine whether equipment, software, or procedures are operating as expected

Able to determine the kinds of tools and equipment needed to do a job Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to implement safe work practices

Certified in Auto Service Excellence (ASE)

Possession of a valid driver's license

Possession of a good Department of Motor Vehicles driving record Willingness to work with close supervision

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>	
New Hires, No Experience	\$6.00 - 11.50	\$8.50	
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$7.00 - 15.00	\$11.50	
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$11.00 - 20.00	\$16.00	

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Almost all Automotive Mechanics work full-time averaging 42 hours per week.

#### Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	47%	40%	0%
Dental Insurance	27%	20%	13%
Vision Insurance	20%	13%	7%
Life Insurance	20%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	47%	7%	0%
Vacation	100%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	7%	53%	0%
Child Care	0%	7%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

#### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Automotive Mechanics

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 110 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 540 - 600 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are

male, 0% are female.

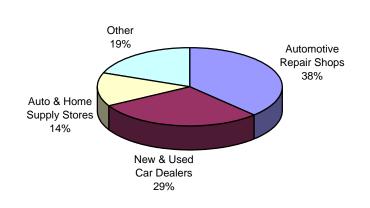
#### **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 60
Separations to 2004: 100
Total Openings: 160

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 11.1%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 10.9%. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate growth over this period.

#### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Automotive Technician, Mechanic

Related DOT Code: 620.261-010, 620.261-012, 620.261-030, 620.281-026, 620.284-038, 620.281-062, 620.281-066

**Promotional Opportunities:** May be promoted to lead technician, assistant manager, or service manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 16.4% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

#### **BAKERS -- BREAD AND PASTRY**

#### **OES 650210**

Bread and Pastry Bakers mix and bake ingredients according to recipes to produce breads, pastries, and other baked goods. They produce goods in smaller quantities for consumption on premises or for sale as specialty baked goods.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Most employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. All those surveyed report they do not require training, and few indicate a preference for vocational training. However, almost all employers express that their firm will accept training as a substitute for experience.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of previous baking or restaurant experience.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	41%
Dental Insurance:	41%
Vision Insurance:	41%
Life Insurance:	35%
Paid Vacation:	53%
Paid Sick Leave:	41%
Retirement Plan:	41%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

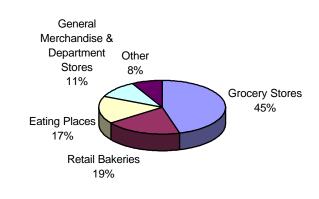
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Bakers work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Many work part-time at an average of 26 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 7.00	\$7.00 - 7.25	\$6.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 8.00	\$6.50 - 8.00	\$7.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.50 - 14.00	\$8.00 - 15.95	\$10.00

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Mastery of baking equipment

Pastry making skills

Pastry decorating skills

Knowledge of weights and tares

Ability to maintain proper dough consistency

Ability to read a baking formula and follow instructions

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Ability to lift at least 25 pounds repeatedly

Willingness to work with close supervision

Able to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Basic math skills

Ability to write legibly

Oral communication skills

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Bakery Clerks, Bread Baker, Bakery

Department Associate

Related DOT Code: 313.361-010, 313.361-038, 313.381-010,

313.381-018, 313.381-026

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to assistant manager, kitchen manager, grocery checker, or other management positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 54% of workers are female

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 19.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Some employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, walk-in applicants, and newspaper ads.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		X
Not Difficult	X	

The Job Market for: Bakers -- Bread & Pastry

Experienced applicants: Very Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 76 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 90 -- Small

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 40

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.2%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate growth.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 46% of workers are male, 54% female.

#### **BILLING, COST AND RATE CLERKS**

#### **OES 553440**

Billing, Cost and Rate Clerks compile data, compute fees and charges, and prepare invoices for billing purposes. Their duties also include computing costs and calculating rates for goods, services, and shipment of goods; posting data and keeping other relevant records. Their work may involve the use of typing, adding, calculating, and bookkeeping machines. Please do not include workers whose primary duty is operation of special office machines such as billing, posting, and calculating machines. Also, do not include workers who calculate charges for passenger transportation.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Many new hires have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Some recent new hires have earned a bachelor's degree. Few employers indicate that training is usually acceptable as a substitute for prior work experience. Those seeking training indicate a preference for basic accounting classes and typing certification.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they usually or always require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 36 months of previous billing experience in a wide range of fields, such as: medical, banking, insurance, accounting, bookkeeping, and collection.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	95%
Dental Insurance:	84%
Vision Insurance:	58%
Life Insurance:	68%
Paid Vacation:	89%
Paid Sick Leave:	79%
Retirement Plan:	84%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 19 employers responding to this particular question.

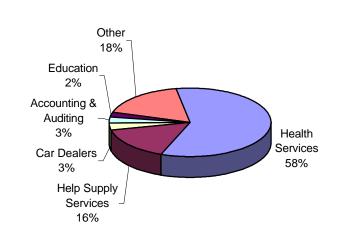
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Billing, Cost and Rate Clerks work full-time averaging 40 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$10.00	\$7.00	\$9.71
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$14.87	\$8.03	\$11.73
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.50 - \$19.33	\$10.00	\$12.43

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Data entry skills

Record keeping skills

Alphabetic and numeric filing skills

Bookkeeping skills

Ability to operate 10-key adding machine by touch

Statistical typing skills

Ability to follow billing procedures

Customer service skills; telephone answering skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to type at least 45 wpm

Ability to sit continuously for 2 or more hours

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Ability to read and follow instructions

Emerging skills place a strong emphasis on computer knowledge, especially in terms of spreadsheet, word processing, and database experience

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Medical Billing Clerk, Insurance Biller, Billing Receptionist, Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable Clerk

**Related DOT Code:** 214-362.014, 214-362.022, 214-362.042, 214.387-010, 214.267-010, 214.482-018, 214.362-038

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to payroll or accounting positions, senior clerk, supervisory or management positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 100% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate. The rate is 15.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, and private employment agancies.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	
Little Difficulty		Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Billing, Cost, and Rate Clerks

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 270 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 60
Total Openings: 100

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 14.8%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7 percent for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate growth over this period.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 19 employers, representing 58 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1999

#### **BOOKKEEPING, ACCOUNTING, AND AUDITING CLERKS**

#### **OES 553380**

Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks, including Bookkeepers, compute, classify, and record numerical data to keep sets of financial records complete. They perform any combination of routine calculating, posting, and verifying duties to obtain primary financial data for use in maintaining accounting records. They may also check the accuracy of figures, calculations, and postings pertaining to business transactions recorded by other workers. Please do not include individuals whose primary duty is operating special office machines.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

All employers surveyed report that they require **Education and Training:** at least a high school diploma or equivalent prior to hiring in this occupation. Some indicate they require an associate's degree. Most report they require or prefer technical or vocational training. This training is often expressed as accounting and bookkeeping classes.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report they require or prefer workrelated experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of prior experience as a bookkeeper, account clerk, collection & billing clerk, or related field.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	87%
Dental Insurance:	80%
Vision Insurance:	60%
Life Insurance:	53%
Paid Vacation:	87%
Paid Sick Leave:	73%
Retirement Plan:	67%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

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#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Bookkeepers work full-time averagiing 39 hours per week. Many work "on-call" at an average of 40 hours weekly.

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	Non-Union	Union		Educational Services
*Wages:	<b>Range</b>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate
				Health Services
New Hires, No Experience:	\$10.28 - 10.28	\$10.75 - 11.08	\$10.75	Accounting, Auditing & Bookkeep
				New & Used Car Dealers
New Hires, With Experience:	\$7.00 - 12.00	\$10.75 - 13.60	\$10.28	Eating Places
				Construction Special Trade Co
After Three Years With Firm:	\$8.50 - 14.25	\$11.86 - 15.61	\$12.00	Legal Services
				Manufacturing
*Wages reflect economic situation subse	guent to state minimum	wage adjustments of 03	/01/ 98.	Other

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

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ı	Government	0.370
l	Business Services	7.6%
l	Educational Services	5.8%
l	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	5.1%
l	Health Services	4.1%
l	Accounting, Auditing & Bookkeeping	4.1%
l	New & Used Car Dealers	3.6%
l	Eating Places	2.8%
l	Construction Special Trade Contractors	2.4%
l	Legal Services	2.1%
l	Manufacturing	2.1%
l	Other	52.0%

#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Accounting skills

Ability to conduct an audit

Bookkeeping skills

Ability to operate 10-key adding machine by touch

Payroll processing skills

Ability to use spreadsheet, word processing, and database software

Ability to handle confidential material

Analytical skills

Telephone answering skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to perform routine, repetitive work

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to pay attention to detail

Public contact skills

Oral communication skills

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Business Manager, Accounting Technicians, Accounts Receivable/Acconts Payable Clerk

**Related DOT Code:** 210.382-010, 210.382-014, 210.382-046, 216.362-014, 216.482-010, 216.382-022, 216.362-026

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to accountant, full charge bookkeeper, senior accounting clerk, director of finance

**No.** Employers responding report that 93% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 43.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Some employers responding indicate their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, colleges & universities, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: **Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks** 

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 73 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 1,200 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 60

Separations to 2002: 130 Total Openings: 190

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 5.0%, which is growing slower than the average new growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 7% of workers are male, 93% are female.

#### CARPENTERS OES 871020

Carpenters perform the carpentry duties necessary to make or repair wooden structures, structural members, and fixtures and equipment using carpentry tools and woodworking machines. Please do not include Cabinetmakers and Bench Carpenters.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> All recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Few have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few employers report that training is required prior to employment. Almost all employers indicate that training is generally not acceptable as a substitute for prior work experience.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually require work-related experience. Employers tend to hire applicants with 6 - 48 months experience in various aspects of carpentry work.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	50%
Vision Insurance:	25%
Life Insurance:	75%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	25%
Retirement Plan:	75%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 4 employers responding to this particular question.

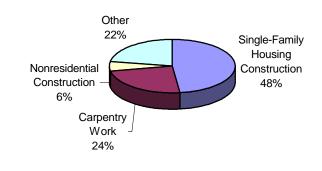
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Carpenters work full-time, averaging 40 hours per week. Some work seasonally, averaging 40 hours per week.

<u>*Wages:</u>	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$12.00	\$6.95	\$6.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$7.00 - \$20.10	\$10.00	\$13.55
After Three Years With Firm:	\$9.50 - \$23.01	\$16.00	\$15.39

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



#### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Shop math skills

Ability to use drafting tools

Ability to read blue prints

Metal framing skills

Cost estimating skills

Finish carpentry skills

Rough carpentry skills

Drywall installation and repair skills

Ability to climb to high places

Ability to perform strenuous, physically demanding work

Possession of agility and coordination

Ability to lift at least 50 lbs. repeatedly

Ability to provide own hand tools

Possession of a reliable vehicle and a good DMV driving record

Ability to work independently

Ability to conform to new applicable laws

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Laborer, Installer, Rough Carpenter,

Finish Carpenter

Related DOT Code: 860.381-022, 860.381-042, 860.664-010,

860.681-010, 860.281-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to finish carpenter, crew leader, superintendant, foreman, supervisor or manager position

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 2% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> High. The rate is 51.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Recruitment Methods: The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, unsolicited applicants, newspaper ads, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Carpenters

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 300 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 90

Separations to 2002: 40 Total Openings: 130

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 30.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Many anticipate new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 98 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# CASHIERS OES 490230

Cashiers receive and disburse cash payments, handle credit transactions, make change, issue receipts, and balance the tender drawer in a variety of establishments. Their work usually involves the use of adding machines, cash registers, and change makers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report that they require a high school diploma. Few indicate they require or prefer vocational training prior to hire. However, most express they will accept training as a substitute for prior work experience.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 3 - 12 months of cash handling, restaurant, or other customer service experience.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	63%
Dental Insurance:	56%
Vision Insurance:	50%
Life Insurance:	38%
Paid Vacation:	63%
Paid Sick Leave:	63%
Retirement Plan:	44%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

## **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Cashiers work part-time averaging 26 hours per week. Many work full-time at an average of 38 hours weekly.

<u>*Wages:</u>	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 7.71	\$7.00 - 8.79	\$6.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 7.71	\$7.00 - 12.00	\$6.60
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.00 - 10.00	\$12.43 - 16.88	\$8.80

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Grocery Stores	19.2%
Eating Places	19.1%
Civic & Social Associations	9.6%
Miscellaneous Retail	9.1%
General Merchandise Stores	8.3%
Gasoline Service Stations	7.8%
Record & Prerecorded Tape Stores	2.7%
Lumber & Other Building Materials	2.6%
Video Tape Rental	2.4%
Hotels & Motels	1.3%
Amusement & Recreation Services	1.3%
Other	16.6%

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Record keeping skills

Cash handling skills

Grocery checking skills

Ability to follow check cashing procedures

Ability to operate a cash register

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Willingness to work with close supervision

Public contact skills / ability to work well with people

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Ability to write legibly

Oral communication skills

Excellent customer service skills

Ability to organize work

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Checkers, Customer Service Clerk, Administrative Services Clerk, Hostess, Warehouse Clerk

**Related DOT Code:** 211.362-010, 211.462-010, 211.462-018, 211.467-010, 211.467-034, 249.467-010, 209.567-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to head clerk, crew chief, head cashier, server, or various management positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 59% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 19.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Some employers report their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: walk-in applicants, in-house promotion or transfer, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult	X	X

The Job Market for: Cashiers

Experienced applicants: Very Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 16 responses, representing 284 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 2,050 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 420

Separations to 2002: 790 Total Openings: 1,210

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 20.5%, which is growing at an average rate. The average job growth rate for this occupation is 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Some anticipate that growth will remain stable over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 41% of workers are male, 59% are female.

CHILD CARE WORKERS OES 680380

Child Care Workers attend children at school, businesses, and institutions performing a variety of tasks, such as dressing, feeding, bathing, and overseeing play. Does not include workers whose primary function is to teach in a structured setting.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Most indicate they require or prefer vocational training prior to hire. This is often expressed as 6 units of Early Childhood Education/Child Development.

<u>Experience</u>: Many employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 3 - 12 months of experience working with children in some capacity, such as school teacher, babysitter, or other previous child care experience.

## Skills and Qualifications:

Oral communication skills

Knowledge of early childhood development

Musical skills

Able to administer emergency first aid

Possession of an Early Childhood Development certificate

Able to write effectively and legibly

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions appropriately

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to understand a variety of cultures

Able to handle crisis situations

Possession of a clean police record

Able to exercise patience

Able to work independently

Willingness to work with close supervision

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Median
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 7.56	\$6.00
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$5.75 - 7.10	\$6.15
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$6.50 - 8.88	\$7.00

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Child Care Workers work part-time averaging 21 hours per week. A few work full-time at an average of 42 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Sha	red	Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pays All	
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	13%	7%	7%	7%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	7%	0%	7%	7%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	20%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	20%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	7%	0%	7%	0%	7%	7%
Child Care	7%	0%	0%	7%	7%	7%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

# **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult	Х	X

The Job Market for: Child Care Workers
Experienced applicants: Very Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and colleges & universities.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 119 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

**Size of Employment:** 420 - 510 (Large/Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 13% of workers are

male, 87% are female.

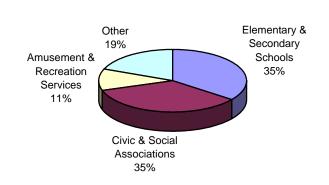
# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 90
Separations to 2004: 40
Total Openings: 130

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 21.4%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

## Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Child Care Attendant, Teacher's Aide

<u>Related DOT Code:</u> 355.674-010, 359.677-010, 359.677-018,

359.677-026

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to preschool teacher, supervisor, child care coordinator, manager, or program specialist

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 32.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

# COMBINED FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVICE WORKERS

**OES 650410** 

Combined Food Preparation and Service Workers do both food preparation and food service. Does not include workers who spend more than 80 percent of their time in only one of these two areas.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Some employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among employers surveyed, none indicate they require technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Some employers report they prefer work experience in this occupation. Those preferring experience tend to hire applicants with 3 - 12 months of cooking, waitressing, food preparation or other food service experience.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to make change

Able to operate a cash register

Fry cooking skills

Short-order cooking skills

Food preparation skills

Able to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to work rapidly

Able to lift at least 30 pounds repeatedly

Willing to work with close supervision

Public contact skills

Able to work independently

Able to follow oral instructions

Able to write legibly

Oral communication skills

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Median
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 6.50	\$5.75
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$5.75 - 6.50	\$5.75
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$5.75 - 10.75	\$7.50

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Almost all Combined Food Preparation & Service Workers work part-time averaging 20 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Sha	ared	Empl	oyee
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pays All	
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	7%	0%	27%	27%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	7%	0%	20%	27%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	0%	20%	27%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	27%	20%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	40%	20%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	0%	0%	20%	20%	0%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	7%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

# **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	*N/A	
Moderately Difficult	*N/A	
Not Difficult	*N/A	Х

The Job Market for: Combined Food Prep & Service Workers

Experienced applicants: Not Applicable Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

\*None of the surveyed employers require previous work experience.

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, walk-in applicants, and newspaper ads.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 401 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 870 - 980 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 43% of workers are

male, 57% are female.

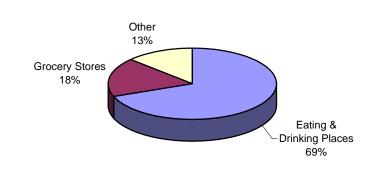
# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 110
Separations to 2004: 340
Total Openings: 450

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 12.6%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

# Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Deli Attendant

**Related DOT Code:** 311.472-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to waiter, crew leader, deli coordinator, shift manager, assistant manager, or department manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 73.6% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

# **COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS**

**OES 251040** 

Computer Support Specialists provide technical assistance and training to computer system users. Investigate and resolve computer software and hardware problems of users. Answer clients' inquiries in person and via telephone concerning the use of computer hardware and software, including printing, word processing, programming languages, electronic mail, and operating systems.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> All employers surveyed report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Some indicate they require a bachelor's degree. Almost all employers report they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. This training may take the form of college courses, trade school courses with certifications, network or other computer workshops.

<u>Experience</u>: Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 36 months of computer related experience.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to utilize good teaching techniques

Able to communicate technical information to non-technical staff

Able to communicate with computer literate staff

Able to analyze needs and product requirements to create a design

Able to conduct tests to determine whether equipment, software, or procedures are operating as expected

Able to determine the cause of an operating error and resolve problem Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and weaknesses of various approaches

Knowledge of how to find information and identify essential information Knowledge of work processing, database, and spreadsheet software

Knowledge of networks and the Internet

Able to write effectively and legibly

Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents

## **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	Non-Union	Union	Non-Union	Union
	<u>Range</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$6.00 - 14.38	Insufficient Data	\$9.76	\$11.17
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.00 - 16.78	\$10.24 - 14.26	\$12.95	\$12.28
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$9.00 - 21.58	\$12.21 - 17.62	\$14.91	\$15.11

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Computer Support Specialists work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 19 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Sha	Shared		Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pays All		
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT	
Medical Insurance	44%	6%	19%	25%	0%	0%	
Dental Insurance	44%	6%	13%	25%	0%	0%	
Vision Insurance	44%	6%	13%	25%	0%	0%	
Life Insurance	38%	13%	6%	13%	6%	6%	
Sick Leave	63%	13%	6%	13%	0%	0%	
Vacation	63%	13%	6%	6%	0%	0%	
Retirement Plan	19%	6%	38%	13%	13%	6%	
Child Care	0%	0%	6%	0%	6%	6%	

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

## **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

# **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		X
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Computer Support Specialists

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 16 employers, representing 36 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 150 - 210 (Medium/Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 69% of workers are

male, 31% are female.

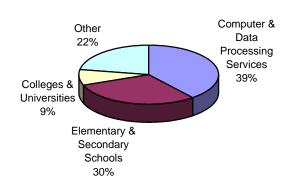
# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 60
Separations to 2004: 10
Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 40.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Some anticipate growth remaining stable over this period.

#### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Computer Technician, Information Systems Technician, Systems Administrator, Computer Maintenance Technician, Information Systems Support

Related DOT Code: 032.132-010, 032.262-010, 039.264-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to systems analyst, software designer, information systems specialist, computer operator, network analyst, or software engineer

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 16.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Many employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

# **CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS**

# **OES 150170**

Construction Managers plan, organize, direct, control, or coordinate, usually through subordinate supervisory personnel, activities concerned with the construction and maintenance of structures, facilities, and systems, including specialized construction fields, such as carpentry or plumbing. Please do not include general managers of large construction contracting firms.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Many have earned a bachelor's degree. Few employers responding indicate they require training prior to employment, but place a strong emphasis on previous work experience.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 24 - 72 months of prior experience as a construction foreman, supervisor, superintendent, or project manager.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	77%
Dental Insurance:	15%
Vision Insurance:	8%
Life Insurance:	31%
Paid Vacation:	69%
Paid Sick Leave:	62%
Retirement Plan:	62%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 13 employers responding to this particular question.

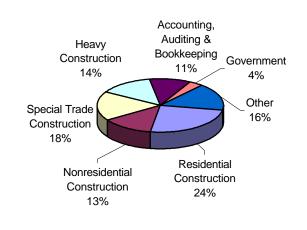
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Employers surveyed report that all Construction Managers work full-time, averaging 42 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.00 - \$20.00	\$11.80	N/A
New Hires, With Experience:	\$8.00 - \$31.17	\$14.19	\$21.10
After Three Years With Firm:	\$10.00 - \$38.36	\$16.91	\$27.43

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

# WHERE THE JOBS ARE



# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Office management skills

Report writing skills

Ability to follow purchasing procedures

Understanding of the collective bargaining process

Civil engineering skills

Ability to estimate costs and submit bids

Ability to hire and assign personnel

Landscape site planning skills

Understanding of commercial real estate practices

Understanding of building codes and contract laws

Understanding of construction terms

Possession of a contractor's license

Knowledge of EEO & affirmative action programs and guidelines

Knowledge of OSHA safety standards

Ability to perform advanced mathematical computations

Emerging skills include basic computer knowledge

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Construction Foreman, Superintendent, Project Manager, Crew Supervisor

Related DOT Code: 182.167-026, 182.167-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to superintendent, district manager, operations manager, or vice president

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 0% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate. The rate is 19.4% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

## **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: in-house promotion or transfer, current employee referrals, and newspaper ads.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Construction Managers

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 100 - Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 60

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 40.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 31 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

COST ESTIMATORS OES 219020

Cost Estimators prepare cost estimates for manufacturing of products, construction projects, or services to aid management in bidding on or determining price of products or services. They may specialize according to a particular service performed or product produced.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> All recent new hires have been engaged in college course work. Some of these have earned an associate's degree. Some have earned a bachelor's degree. Some employers indicate they require training prior to employment. Those wanting previous training seek candidates who have earned a college degree.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months experience as an estimator or project manager, and have worked within the construction industry.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	80%
Dental Insurance:	53%
Vision Insurance:	13%
Life Insurance:	53%
Paid Vacation:	87%
Paid Sick Leave:	40%
Retirement Plan:	53%

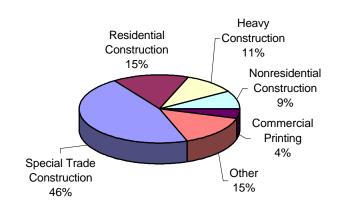
\*Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Cost Estimators work full-time, averaging 40 hours weekly. A few work part-time, at an average of 40 hours per week.

*Wages:	Range	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$7.19 - \$18.75	\$9.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$9.00 - \$22.38	\$14.38
After Three Years With Firm:	\$10.00 - \$33.24	\$18.00

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Abillity to prepare flow charts

Accounting skills

Ability to read blueprints

Cost estimating skills

Basic construction skills

Understanding of California building codes

Ability to perform advanced mathematical computations

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Analytical skills

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to pay attention to detail

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Ability to read and follow instructions

Emerging skills include an increased knowledge of computers, especially in terms of estimating software, spreadsheet, word processing, database

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Estimator, Job Estimator, Job Bidder,

Program Analyst

**Related DOT Code:** 169.267-038, 221.367-014, 221.482-014,

221.362-018

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to district manager, superintendent, sales, or other management positions

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 5% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately Low. The rate is 9.1% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: in-house promotion or transfer, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Cost Estimators

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

# OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 70 -- Small

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 10
Total Openings: 30

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 28.6%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 22 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **COUNTER AND RENTAL CLERKS**

# **OES 490170**

Counter and Rental Clerks receive articles and / or orders for services, such as rentals, repairs, dry-cleaning, and storage. They may compute cost and accept payment.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Many recent new hires have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few have earned an associate's degree. No employers indicate that training is required prior to employment.

**Experience:** Some employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months experience in retail sales, cashiering, customer service, or other clerical position.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	57%
Dental Insurance:	43%
Vision Insurance:	14%
Life Insurance:	14%
Paid Vacation:	86%
Paid Sick Leave:	43%
Retirement Plan:	14%

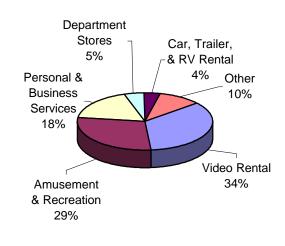
<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 7 employers responding to this particular question.

# **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Counter & Rental Clerks work full-time, averaging 40 hours per week. Many work part-time, averaging 20 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$6.50	\$5.75
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$8.00	\$5.75
After Three Years With Firm:	\$5.75 - \$10.00	\$6.75

# WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Cash handling skills

Ability to use a calculator

Ability to operate a cash register

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Customer service skills

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Ability to write legibly

Oral communication skills

Basic computer literacy skills

Organizational skills

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Customer Service Representative, Retail Clerk, Receptionists, Sales Clerk

**Related DOT Code:** 249.362-010, 249.366-010, 295.357-010, 295.467-022, 295.467-026, 369.677-010, 369.477-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to various positions with more responsibility; supervisory and management positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 56% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> High. The rate is 52.6% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Recruitment Methods: The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, unsolicited applicants, and the Employment Development Department.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		
Little Difficulty	Х	Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Counter & Rental Clerks

Experienced applicants: Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 230 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 60

Separations to 2002: 60
Total Openings: 120

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 26.1%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Many anticipate new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 95 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **DENTAL HYGIENISTS**

# OES 329080

Dental Hygienists perform dental prophylactic treatments and instruct groups and individuals in the care of the teeth and mouth.

# **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> All employers surveyed report they require at least an associate's degree prior to hire. Some require a bachelor's degree. Additionally, it is required by the State that candidates for hire graduate from a board-approved dental hygiene program. This is generally a 24-month program within California.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 24 months of prior experience as a dental hygienist.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

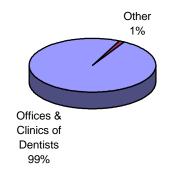
	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	14%
Dental Insurance:	14%
Vision Insurance:	0%
Life Insurance:	0%
Paid Vacation:	19%
Paid Sick Leave:	14%
Retirement Plan:	10%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Dental Hygienists work part-time averaging 17 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$22.00 - 33.12	\$31.25
New Hires, With Experience:	\$25.00 - 50.00	\$32.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$28.41 - 54.17	\$35.00

# WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 21 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to follow laboratory procedures

Supervisory skills

Ability to perform or assist with dental procedures

Understanding of good diet and nutrition

General clerical skills

Record keeping skills

Knowledge of anesthesiology

Possession of a Radiation Safety Certificate

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Willingness to work with close supervision

Public contact skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Basic math skills

Oral communication skills

Good time management skills

## **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Registered Dental Hygienists

**Related DOT Code:** 078.361-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> Employers report no promotional opportunities for this occupation

**No.** Employers responding report that 98% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 2.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers who responded indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and private employment agencies.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: **Dental Hygienists**Experienced applicants: Not Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 21 employers, representing 51 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 120 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 60

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 33.3%, which is growing much faster than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Many anticipate growth will remain stable over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 2% of workers are male, 98% female.

# **DISPATCHERS -- EXCEPT POLICE, FIRE, AND AMBULANCE**

**OES 580050** 

Dispatchers (except Police, Fire, and Ambulance) schedule and dispatch workers, work crews, equipment, or service vehicles for conveyance of materials, freight, or passengers or for normal installation, service, or emergency repairs rendered outside the place of business. Their duties may include use of radio/telephone to transit assignments and compile statistics and reports on the progress of work. Does not include Police, Fire and Ambulance Dispatchers.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Few employers indicate they require technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Many employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. Those desiring prior experience tend to hire applicants with 24 - 36 months of previous dispatching or related experience.

# **Skills and Qualifications:**

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Able to communicate effectively with others in writing as indicated by the needs of the audience

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to determine the kind of tools and equipment needed to do a job Able to manage one's own time and the time of others

Able to obtain and see to the appropriate use of equipment, facilities, and materials needed to do certain work

Knowing how to find information and identifying essential information Able to weigh the relative costs and benefits of a potential action Knowledge of local streets

Able to handle crisis situations

Customer service skills

## **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Median
New Hires, No Experience	\$6.00 - 15.06	\$7.50
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.00 - 16.88	\$9.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$7.00 - 19.57	\$11.22

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Among employers surveyed, all Dispatchers work full-time averaging 40 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	53%	27%	0%
Dental Insurance	33%	20%	13%
Vision Insurance	33%	20%	0%
Life Insurance	47%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	40%	0%	0%
Vacation	93%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	7%	47%	7%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult	Х	

The Job Market for: Dispatchers--Except Police, Fire, Ambulance

Experienced applicants: Very Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 37 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

Size of Employment: 80 - 100 (Small)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 65% of workers are

male, 35% are female.

# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 20
Separations to 2004: 10
Total Openings: 30

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 25.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

# Where The Jobs Are

Trucking & Courier Services	37.8%
Local & Suburban Transportation	10.2%
Miscellaneous Repair Shops	10.2%
Concrete, Gypsum, and Plaster Products	8.2%
Combination Utility Services	5.1%
New & Used Car Dealers	5.1%
Other	23.4%

# OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Warehouse Dispatcher, Administrative Assistant--Maintenance

**Related DOT Code:** 239.167-014, 239.367-014, 932.167-010, 249.367-070, 913.367-010, 919.162-010, 952.167-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to salesperson, supervisor, or manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 13.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

# ELECTRICIANS OES 872020

Electricians install, maintain, and repair wiring, electrical equipment, and fixtures. They insure that work is in accordance with relevant codes. They may read blueprints. Please include Protective Signal Installers and Repairers and Street Light Servicers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. Most indicate they require or prefer previous electrical training. A few employers express a preference for "on-the-job" training, teaching job-specific skills to apprentice employees.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months of prior electrical experience. This experience may extend to construction, automotive, agricultural pump, or hydro systems.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-I ime</u>
Medical Insurance:	88%
Dental Insurance:	41%
Vision Insurance:	35%
Life Insurance:	47%
Paid Vacation:	71%
Paid Sick Leave:	35%
Retirement Plan:	35%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

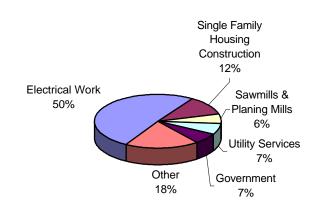
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Electricians work full-time at an average of 40 hours per week.

<u>*Wages:</u>	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.00 - 8.00	\$8.00 - 14.09	\$8.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 15.00	\$10.60 - 28.00	\$13.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.50 - 20.00	\$22.83 - 28.77	\$20.00

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to install electrical equipment

Ability to understand electrical code

Ability to read and understand blueprints

Cost estimating skills

Soldering skills

Ability to climb ladders

Possession of good color perception

Ability to crawl under buildings

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Ability to make use of cognitive thinking

Ability to maintain good relations with public

Ability to abide by safety requirements

Shop math skills

Ability to provide own hand tools

Ability to work independently

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Electrical Lineworker, Journeyman Electrician, Electrical Helper, Field Electrician, Alarm Technician

Related DOT Code: 824.681-010, 825.381-030, 825.381-034, 824.261-010, 824.261-014, 806.381-062

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to foreman, estimator, project manager, superintendent, supervisor or manager position

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 2% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 6.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Some employers surveyd report their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, union hall referrals, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		X
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: **Electricians**Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 101 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 120 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 40

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for Electricians is 16.7%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 98% of workers are male, 2% are female.

FILE CLERKS OES 553210

File Clerks file correspondence, cards, invoices, receipts, and other records in alphabetical or numerical order or according to the filing system used, and locate and remove material from files when requested. They may be required to classify and file new material.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** All new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Few employers report they require training prior to employment, but place an emphasis on providing "on-the-job" training for this occupation. Most employers, however, indicate that they usually accept training as a substitute for experience.

**Experience:** Few employers report that they require work-related experience. Those requiring experience tend to hire applicants with 2 - 6 months of previous office work.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	90%
Dental Insurance:	80%
Vision Insurance:	40%
Life Insurance:	70%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	90%
Retirement Plan:	90%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 10 employers responding to this particular question.

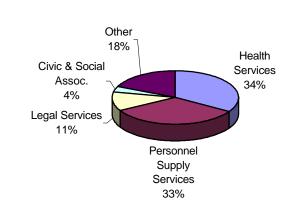
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most File Clerks work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 18 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Range	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$8.85	\$6.00	\$6.46
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$9.00	\$7.00	\$7.95
After Three Years With Firm:	\$5.75 - \$16.00	\$8.00	\$12.10

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Data entry skills

Alphabetic and numeric filing skills

Ability to perform detailed clerical work

Customer service and telephone answering skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to type at least 30 wpm

Ability to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Ability to lift at least 40 lbs. repeatedly

Ability to perform routine, repetitive work

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Emerging skills place an emphasis on computer literacy, primarily in terms of word processing, database, and spreadsheet

## **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Clerical Assistant, Clerical Aide, Clerk,

Staff Aide

**Related DOT Code:** 206.387-034, 206.367-014, 206.387-022,

206.387-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to customer service clerk, receptionist, billing clerk, secretary, or administrative assistant

**No.** Employers responding report that 93% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> High. The rate is 35.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, in-house promotion or transfer, and unsolicited applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		
Little Difficulty	Х	Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: File Clerks
Experienced applicants: Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 210 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 10

Separations to 2002: 60 Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 4.8%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 28 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

# FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS AND MANAGER/SUPERVISORS--CLERICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OES 510020

First Line Clerical Manager/Supervisors directly supervise and coordinate activities of clerical and administrative support workers. They are generally found in smaller establishments where they perform both supervisory and management functions, such as accounting, marketing, and personnel work. Some Manager/Supervisors may also engage, in part, in the same clerical work as the workers they supervise.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Almost all recent new hires have been engaged in college course work. Many have earned an associate's degree. Few have earned a bachelor's degree. Some employers report that training is required prior to employment. Those seeking training or certification indicate a preference for candidates who have earned a college degree.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 36 months of experience in following: accounting, bookkeeping, marketing, clerical support, administrative support, secretarial, human resources, or medical office experience.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	86%
Dental Insurance:	50%
Vision Insurance:	29%
Life Insurance:	57%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	86%
Retirement Plan:	64%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 14 employers responding to this particular question.

## **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Employers responding report that all employees in this occupation work full-time, averaging 46 hours per week.

<u>*Wages:</u>	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.00 - \$10.93	\$8.00	\$10.55
New Hires, With Experience:	\$7.00 - \$13.95	\$10.00	\$11.03
After Three Years With Firm:	\$9.00 - \$20.92	\$11.50	\$12.50

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	20.7%
Health Services	13.7%
Government	9.2%
Education Services	6.4%
Eating Places	4.6%
Business Services	3.1%
Membership Organizations	2.6%
Food & Kindred Products	2.3%
Communications	1.8%
Department Stores	1.4%
New & Used Car Dealers	1.4%
Other	32.8%

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Office management skills

Ability to manage an activity or department

Ability to plan and organize the work of others

Report writing skills

Supervisory skills

Record keeping skills

Proofreading skills

Ability to hire and assign personnel

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Problem solving skills

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to pay attention to detail

Customer service skills

Oral communication skills

Emerging skills include increased computer literacy, especially in terms of work processing, accounting software, spreadsheet, and database

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Office Manager, Business Office Supervisor, Administrative Secretary, Accounting Supervisor

Related DOT Code: 168.167-058, 211.137-010, 213.132-010, 214.137-022, 215.137-014, 216.132-010, 222.137-030

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to administrator, higher level management, or manager over various other departments

**No.** Employers responding report that 82% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate / Moderately High. The rate is 20.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: First Line Supervisors/Managers-Clerical

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

# OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 720 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 160

Separations to 2002: 140
Total Openings: 300

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.2%, which is growing faster than the average rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 39 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **FOOD SERVICE MANAGERS**

# **OES 150261**

Food Service Managers plan, organize, direct, control, or coordinate activities of an organization or department that serves food and / or beverages. Please include Food and Beverage Directors.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all recent new hires have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few employers require training prior to employment. Many, however, indicate a preference for training employees in other positions to become food service managers.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of food service experience.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	53%
Dental Insurance:	40%
Vision Insurance:	13%
Life Insurance:	27%
Paid Vacation:	80%
Paid Sick Leave:	73%
Retirement Plan:	20%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

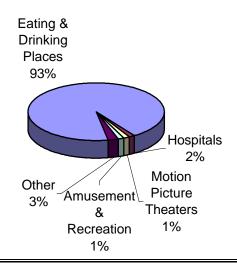
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators work full-time, averaging 46 hours weekly. Some work part-time at an average of 26 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Range	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$7.50	\$6.28
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.00 - \$10.66	\$8.18
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.00 - \$15.69	\$11.50

<sup>\*</sup>Few surveyed report that Food Service Managers earn a bonus in addition to wages.

# WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Business math skills

Ability to maintain financial records

Ability to manage an activity or department

Ability to motivate staff, and plan and organize the work of others

Ability to follow purchasing procedures

Record keeping skills

Understanding of inventory techniques

Ability to hire and assign personnel

Food preparation skills

Ability to write effectively

Problem solving skills

Willingness to work with close supervision

Customer service skills / Public contact skills

Ability to work under pressure

Emerging skills include an increased knowledge of computers, especially in terms of ordering of inventory

## **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: in-house promotion or transfer, newspaper ads, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Food Service Managers
Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> General Manager, Kitchen Manager, Restaurant Manager, Store Manager

**Related DOT Code:** 185.137-010, 187.167-106, 187.167-206,

187.167-026

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to district manager

**No.** Employers responding report that 36% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 29.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 250 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 50

Separations to 2002: 40 Total Openings: 90

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 20.0%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some expect new growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 18 employers, representing 69 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **GENERAL OFFICE CLERKS**

# **OES 553470**

General Office Clerks perform a wide variety of tasks. Clerical duties may be assigned in accordance with the office procedures of individual establishments and may include a combination of bookkeeping, typing, stenography, office machine operation, and filing. Please do not include workers whose duties are narrowly defined.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Some indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. Most express they will accept training as a substitute for prior work experience.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of experience as an office clerical worker, bookkeeper, bank teller, receptionist, or various other office or billing positions.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	69%
Dental Insurance:	38%
Vision Insurance:	38%
Life Insurance:	38%
Paid Vacation:	69%
Paid Sick Leave:	56%
Retirement Plan:	25%

## **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many General Office Clerks work full-time averaging 42 hours per week. Many work "on-call" at an average of 10 hours weekly.

<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
\$5.75 - 6.75	\$6.00
\$5.80 - 8.50	\$6.95
\$6.75 - 12.00	\$8.00
	\$5.75 - 6.75 \$5.80 - 8.50

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Health Services	14.9%
Educational Services	8.0%
Business Services	3.6%
Department Stores	3.5%
Membership Organizations	3.5%
New & Used Car Dealers	1.7%
Grocery Stores	1.6%
Single-Family Housing Construction	1.6%
Trucking	1.6%
Gas & Other Services Combined	1.5%
Fire, Marine, & Casualty Insurance	1.5%
Other	57.0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Record keeping skills

Alphabetic and numeric filing skills

Ability to operate a 10-key adding machine by touch

Ability to operate a transcribing machine

English grammar, spelling, and punctuation skills

Telephone answering skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to type at least 45 wpm

Ability to perform routine, repetitive work

Willingness to work with close supervision

Public contact skills / oral communication skills

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Customer service skills

Ability to organize work

Word Processing, spreadsheet, database and desktop publishing skills

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Clerk Typist, Clerk, Administrative Assistant, Office Aide, Receptionist, Secretary, File Clerk

**Related DOT Code:** 209.562-010, 219.362-010, 245.362-014,

219.362-026

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to bookkeeper, program coordinator, office manager, or other managerial positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 82% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 10.2% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		X

The Job Market for: General Office Clerks
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 16 employers, representing 177 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 1,520 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 180

Separations to 2002: 270 Total Openings: 450

**Growth Trends:** The average new job growth rate for this occupation is 11.8%, which is growing slower than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth during this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 18% of workers are male, 82% female.

# **GUARDS AND WATCH GUARDS**

# **OES 630470**

Guards and Watch Guards stand guard at entrance gates or walk about premises of business or industrial establishments or private residences to prevent theft, violence, or infractions of rules; they guard property against fire, theft, vandalism, and illegal entry; they direct patrons or employees and answer questions relative to services of establishments. They control traffic to and from buildings and grounds.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. Many indicate they require or prefer vocational training prior to hire. Some of the following have been indicated: 3 months of guard training program or security officer school, law enforcement education, post academy training, CPR & First Aid.

**Experience:** Almost all firms report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 3 - 12 months of military experience, previous guard experience, or those with a background in criminal justice.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	59%
Dental Insurance:	53%
Vision Insurance:	41%
Life Insurance:	41%
Paid Vacation:	59%
Paid Sick Leave:	53%
Retirement Plan:	41%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Guards & Watch Guards work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time, at an average of 20 hours weekly. Few work "on-call" at 18 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 12.95	\$6.75
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 12.95	\$7.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.50 - 14.29	\$8.45

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Detective & Armored Car Services	36.3%
Real Estate	7.9%
Eating & Drinking Places	7.4%
Educational Services	7.3%
Health Services	6.9%
Department Stores	6.4%
Civic & Social Associations	5.9%
Amusement & Recreation Services	4.5%
Hotels & Motels	3.4%
Government	2.9%
Residential Construction	2.0%
Other	9.1%

**Butte County** 60

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to follow security protection precedures

Ability to administer emergency first aid

Bondable

Ability to operate video surveillance equipment

Ability to use a baton

Security guard registration (Guard Card)

Possession of a valid driver's license

Licensed to carry firearms

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Possession of a police record

Willingness to work independently

Knowledge of CPR & First Aid

Understanding of criminal law

Ability to exercise calm and patience in crisis situations

Public contact skills / oral communication skills

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Security Officer, Security Guard, Security Manager, Loss Prevention Officer, Asset Protection

Related DOT Code: 372.563-010, 372.667-030, 372.567-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted from sergeant to lieutenant to captain; may be promoted to security manager, asset protection leader, loss prevention manager

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 24% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 20.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers responding indicate their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, inpromotion or transfer, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Guards and Watch Guards
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 206 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 160 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 30
Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 25.0%, which is growing faster than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 76% of workers are male, 24% are female.

YEAR STUDIED: 2000

# HEATING, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION MECHANICS AND INSTALLERS

**OES 859020** 

Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers install and repair heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration systems. Their duties may include installation and repair of oil burners, hot-air furnaces, heating stoves, and similar equipment in homes and commercial establishments using hand and pipe threading tools. They may also install and repair cooling and central air conditioning systems. Does not include workers who do only plumbing and pipefitting work.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Most indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. Employers indicate this training is generally sought through heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration trade schools.

<u>Experience</u>: Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 60 months or prior heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration experience.

# **Skills and Qualifications:**

Install equipment, machines, wiring, or programs to meet specifications Able to determine what is causing an operating error and deciding what to do about it

Able to repair machines or systems using the needed tools

Able to conduct tests to determine whether equipment, software, or procedures are operating as expected

Able to determine the kind of tools and equipment needed to do a job

Able to perform routine maintenance and determine when and what kind of maintenance is needed

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches

Ability to read blueprints

Able to lift at least 100 pounds repeatedly

Possession of a good Department of Motor Vehicles driving record Public contact skills

## **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience New Hires, W/ Experience	\$7.00 - 10.00 \$5.75 - 15.00	\$8.00 \$10.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$12.00 - 22.50	\$17.00

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Almost all Dispatchers work full-time averaging 43 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	40%	53%	0%
Dental Insurance	20%	0%	13%
Vision Insurance	13%	0%	20%
Life Insurance	13%	0%	7%
Sick Leave	20%	0%	7%
Vacation	87%	0%	7%
Retirement Plan	13%	20%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

# **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: **Heating, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration** 

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and walk-in applicants.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 90 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 100 - 130 (Medium)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are

male, 0% are female.

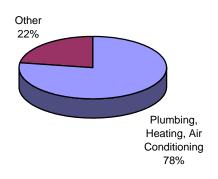
# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 30
Separations to 2004: 20
Total Openings: 50

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 30.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Some anticipate growth to remain stable over this period.

## Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> HVAC Installers & Technicians, Service Technicians, Installers

**Related DOT Code:** 637.261-014, 637.261-026, 637.381-010, 637.381-014, 827.361-014, 862.361-010, 869.281-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to lead installer, service technician, estimator, supervisor, shop manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 18.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

# **HOME HEALTH AIDES**

# **OES 660110**

Home Health Aides care for elderly, convalescent, or handicapped person in home of patient. They perform duties for patients such as changing bed linen, preparing meals, assisting in and out of bed, bathing, dressing, grooming, and assisting with medications under doctors' orders or direction of nurse. Please exclude Nursing Aides and Homemakers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Most recent hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Some have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Some employers indicate that they require certification, generally due to state mandating imposed on certain types of businesses. To become licensed as a Certified Home Health Aide, 65 hours of supervised clinical training and 55 hours of classroom training are required.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually or always require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of prior care giving experience.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	77%
Dental Insurance:	46%
Vision Insurance:	38%
Life Insurance:	46%
Paid Vacation:	92%
Paid Sick Leave:	77%
Retirement Plan:	46%

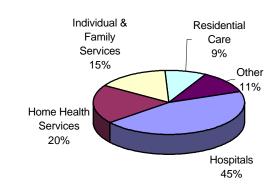
<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 13 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

<u>Hours:</u> Many Home Health Aides work full-time for an average of 40 hours per week. Some work part-time, averaging 27 hours per week. Few work as temporary help, or "on-call", averaging 17 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$8.54	\$6.38
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$9.20	\$6.75
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.50 - \$10.00	\$7.70

# WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

# **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to prepare meals

Ability to apply transferring techniques moving patients

Possession of an HHA Certificate

Possession of a Certified Nurse Assistant qualification

**CPR Certification** 

First Aide Certification

Ability to write effectively

Knowledge of medications and medical reactions of various drugs

Interpersonal communication skills

Possession of a valid driver's license

Empathy in working with patients with dementia

Ability to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Ability to read and follow instructions

# **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Personal Care Aide, Caregiver, Certified Home Health Aide, Direct Care Staff, Care Providers

**Related DOT Code:** 355.674-014, 354.377-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to administrator, case manager, or supervisor. May attain career as LVN or RN by meeting additional educational and licensing requirements.

**No.** Employers responding report that 82% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> High. The rate is 38.4% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, and unsolicited applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		
Little Difficulty	Х	Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Home Health Aides

Experienced applicants: Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 380 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 240

Separations to 2002: 50 Total Openings: 290

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 63.2%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next three years. Many employers anticipate their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 16 employers, representing 138 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# HOSTS, HOSTESSES -- RESTAURANT, LOUNGE, OR COFFEE SHOP

**OES 650020** 

Hosts and Hostesses -- Restaurant, Lounge or Coffee Shop, welcome patrons, seat them at tables or in lounge, and insure quality of facilities and service.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Some employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among those surveyed, none indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience</u>: Some employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. Those seeking experience tend to hire applicants with 6 months of cash registering, general restaurant, or prior host or hostess experience.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to actively look for ways to help people

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Able to use mathematics to solve problems

Able to manage one's own time and the time of others

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Able to be aware of others' reactions and understand why they react the way they do

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to motivate, develop, and direct people as they work, identifying the best people for the job

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Willing to work with close supervision

Able to work under pressure

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 6.00	\$5.75
New Hires, W/ Experience After Three Years W/ Firm	\$5.75 - 6.50 \$5.75 - 7.25	\$5.75 \$5.75

<sup>\*</sup>A few employers surveyed report that Hosts/Hostesses earn tips in addition to wages.

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Hosts and Hostesses work part-time averaging 21 hours per week. A few work seasonally at an average of 20 hours weekly. A few work full-time averaging 37 hours per week.

# Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Shared		Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pay	s All
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	0%	0%	7%	13%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	0%	0%	7%	13%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	0%	7%	7%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	0%	0%	7%	7%	0%	0%
Vacation	7%	13%	7%	7%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	0%	0%	7%	13%	0%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

# **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		Χ

The Job Market for: Hosts & Hostesses

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: walk-in applicants, current employee referrals, and newspaper ads.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 105 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

# **Size of Occupation:**

**Size of Employment:** 220 - 240 (Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 27% of workers are

male, 73% are female.

# **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 20 <u>Separations to 2004:</u> 50 Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 9.1%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

## Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Server, Dining Room Attendants

Related DOT Code: 310.137-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to server, waiter/waitress, bartender, cook, banquet manager, food & beverage director, or shift manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 64.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

## INDUSTRIAL TRUCK AND TRACTOR OPERATORS

## **OES 979470**

Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators operate gasoline or electric powered industrial trucks or tractors equipped with fork lift, elevated platform, or trailer hitch to move materials within an establishment, warehouse, storage yard, factory, or at a construction site. Please do not include Logging Tractor Operators.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Employers report that all recent hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. A few have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Some employers require candidates to obtain a Class B commercial driver's license prior to employment.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 18 months of warehousing or manufacturing experience as a forklift operator, refuse driver, or truck driver.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	73%
Vision Insurance:	67%
Life Insurance:	87%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	67%
Retirement Plan:	73%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work seasonally, at an average of 40 hours weekly. A few work part-time, averaging 31 hours per week.

<u>*Wages:</u>	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$13.00	\$12.84 - \$12.84	\$7.00	\$12.84
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.00 - \$14.38	\$12.84 - \$13.00	\$8.00	\$12.92
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.00 - \$16.78	\$12.84 - \$14.88	\$11.60	\$13.86

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Food & Kindred Products Lumber & Wood Products	38.60% 15.30%
Motor Freight Transport. & Warehousing	9.80%
Department Srotes Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	8.90% 5.50%
Lumber & Other Building Materials Dealers Rental of Railroad Cars	4.20%
Special Industry Machinery	3.80% 3.00%
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods Government	2.50% 1.70%
Other	6.70%

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Automotive maintenance and minor repair skills

Possession of a valid driver's license

Possession of a fork lift driver's certificate

Good eye-hand coordination

Ability to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Ability to lift at least 50 lbs. repeatedly

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Ability to write legibly

Oral communication skills

Emerging skills include basic computer literacy

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Forklift Operator, Warehouse Worker, Refuse Driver, Special Equipment Operator, Yard Laborer

**Related DOT Code:** 921.683-050, 929.683-014, 929.583-010, 921.683-042, 921.683-078

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to supervisor/management positions, special equipment operator, lumber grader, store driver

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 11% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate. The rate is 13.4% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Many employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, private employment agencies, and newspaper ads.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	
Little Difficulty		Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 220 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 30 Total Openings: 50

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 9.1%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 217 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## INSTRUCTORS AND COACHES -- SPORTS AND PHYSICAL TRAINING

**OES 313210** 

Sports and Physical Training Instructors and Coaches instruct or coach groups or individuals in the fundamentals of sports. They demonstrate techniques and methods of participation, and observe and inform participants of corrective measures necessary to improve their skills. Does not include persons required to hold teaching credentials or who coach professional athletic teams.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Almost all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. A few require an associate's degree. Most indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. Specific training requirements vary widely, depending on the type of specialization sought by the employer.

<u>Experience:</u> Among those surveyed, all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 3 - 24 months of previous experience as a sports or physical training instructor or coach.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Able to teach others how to do something

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Able to use multiple approaches when learning or doing something Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react

the way they do

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate Able to motivate, develop, and direct people as they work, identifying

the best people for the job

Able to develop approaches for implementing an idea

Able to work with new material or information to grasp its implications

Able to identify the things that must be changed to achieve a goal

Able to perform cardio pulmonary resuscitation

Able to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Possession of a clean police record

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Median
New Hires, No Experience	\$8.00 - 14.00	\$9.50
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$5.75 - 15.00	\$10.25
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$7.10 - 25.00	\$13.90

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Sports and Physical Training Instructors and Coaches work part-time averaging 13 hours per week. Some work seasonally at an average of 14 hours weekly. A few work full-time at an average of 42 hours per week.

## Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Emp	loyer	Sha	red	Empl	loyee
	Paid		Cost		Pays All	
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	22%	0%	11%	0%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	17%	0%	6%	0%	6%	0%
Vision Insurance	6%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	6%	0%	11%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	39%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	11%	0%	6%	0%	6%	0%
Child Care	6%	0%	0%	6%	6%	6%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 18 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Instructors & Coaches
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and colleges & universities.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 18 employers, representing 181 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

**Size of Employment:** 230-310 (Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 51% of workers are

male, 49% are female.

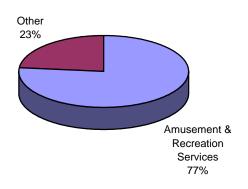
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 80
Separations to 2004: 20
Total Openings: 100

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 34.8%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Some anticipate growth remaining stable over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Coach, Teaching Professional, Fitness Trainer, Pesonal Trainer, Golf Pro, Aerobic/Cardio-Vascular Instructor, Exercise Physiologist

**Related DOT Code:** 099.224-010, 153.227-014, 153.227-018

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted from assistant coach to head coach; from golf pro to head pro to manager; from apprentice to teaching pro; may be promoted to fitness director, tennis director, recreation leader, advanced coach, supervisor, assistant manager, or varsity coach

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 9.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

## **INSURANCE POLICY PROCESSING CLERKS**

## **OES 533140**

Insurance Policy Processing Clerks process applications for, changes to, reinstatements of, and cancellations of insurance policies. Their duties include reviewing insurance applications to insure that all questions have been answered, compiling data on changes of insurance policies, changing policy records to conform to insured party's specifications, compiling data on lapsed insurance policies to determine automatic reinstatement according to company policies, cancelling insurance policies as requested by agents, and verifying the accuracy of insurance company records. Please do not include Claims Clerks and Banking Insurance Clerks.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Most recent new hires have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few employers require receipt of insurance license prior to employment.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of clerical, sales, customer service, reception, or other experience within the insurance industry.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	75%
Dental Insurance:	56%
Vision Insurance:	25%
Life Insurance:	63%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	81%
Retirement Plan:	13%

\*Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

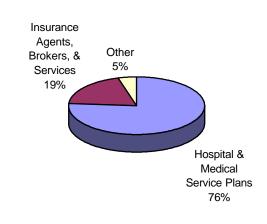
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

<u>Hours:</u> Most Insurance Policy Processing Clerks work full-time, at an average of 39 hours per week. Some work part-time averaging 20 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.26 - \$9.21	\$6.40
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.92 - \$13.00	\$8.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.00 - \$15.00	\$10.00

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to complete and explain insurance forms

Record keeping skills

Alphabetic and numeric filing skills

Ability to interpret policy coverage

Ability to perform detailed clerical work

Understanding of insurance terminology

Customer service / Telephone answering skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Knowledge of medical terminology

Ability to type at least 45 wpm

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Good sales skills

Emerging skills include increased emphasis on computer, especially in terms of word processing, spreadsheet, and database

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Customer Service Representative, Policy Clerk, Policy Typist, Sales/Service Associate

**Related DOT Code:** 203.382-014, 209.687-018, 219.362-042, 219.362-050, 219.482-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to office manager, account manager, or agent with proper licensing

**No.** Employers responding report that 88% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 21.6% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Recruitment Methods: The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, in-house promotion or transfer, and Employment Development Department.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	X
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Insurance Policy Processing Clerks

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 210 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 10

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 30

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 4.8%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next three years. Some expect employment to remain the same.

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 51 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1999

## JANITORS AND CLEANERS -- EXCEPT MAIDS AND HOUSEKEEPING

## **OES 670050**

Janitors and Cleaners, except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners, keep buildings in clean and orderly condition. They perform heavy cleaning duties, such as operating motor-driven cleaning equipment, mopping floors, washing walls and glass, and removing rubbish. They may have additional duties and responsibilities, such as tending furnace and boiler, performing routine maintenance activities, notifying management of needs for repairs and additions, and cleaning snow or debris from sidewalk. Please do not include Maids and Housekeepers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Almost all employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. All those surveyed report they do not require training, and few indicate a preference for prior training. However, almost all employers express that their firm will accept training as a substitute for experience.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months of previous janitorial or related experience.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	53%
Dental Insurance:	53%
Vision Insurance:	53%
Life Insurance:	20%
Paid Vacation:	47%
Paid Sick Leave:	53%
Retirement Plan:	47%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

Many Janitors work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 21 hours weekly; some "on-call" with widely varying hours.

Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
\$5.75 - 7.90	\$7.67 - 9.57	\$7.85
\$5.75 - 8.43	\$8.48 - 10.77	\$8.48
\$6.50 - 9.00	\$9.35 - 13.42	\$9.35
	<b>Range</b> \$5.75 - 7.90 \$5.75 - 8.43	Range       Range         \$5.75 - 7.90       \$7.67 - 9.57         \$5.75 - 8.43       \$8.48 - 10.77

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Educational Services	30.9%
Business Services	16.3%
Health Services	6.7%
Eating Places	5.4%
Membership Organizations	4.7%
Real Estate	3.4%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	3.0%
Social Services	2.3%
Department Stores	1.6%
Hotels & Motels	1.5%
Other	22.1%

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to understand floor polishing equipment Understanding of cleaning compounds and solutions

Brush painting skills

Lawn and garden care skills

Window washing skills

Pest extermination skills

Painting skills

Ceramic or floor tile repair skills

Carpentry skills

People skills

Ability to shampoo carpets

Possession of a valid driver's license

Lift at least 100 lbs. Repeatedly

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Ability to read and follow directions

Ability to work independently

## **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Custodian, Maintenance, Grounds

Worker

Related DOT Code: 381.687-014, 382.664-010, 389.683-010,

381.687-026, 381.687-034, 389.687-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to lead custodian,

other maintenance or supervisor positions

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding

report that 14% of workers are female.

**Turnover:** The rate is 27.3% for employees in this occupation

over the past 12 months.

**Unionization:** Yes. Many employers report their employees

are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, walk-in applicants, in-house promotion or transfer, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		X

The Job Market for: Janitors and Cleaners
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 150 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 850 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 130

Separations to 2002: 130
Total Openings: 260

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 15.3%, which is growing slower than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 86% of workers are male, 14% are female.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

## LABORERS, LANDSCAPING AND GROUNDSKEEPING

## **OES 790410**

Landscaping and Groundskeeping Laborers landscape and/or maintain grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. May work in nursery facility or at customer location. Workers typically perform a variety of tasks, which may include any combination of the following: sod laying, mowing, trimming, planting, watering, fertilizing, digging, raking, and sprinkler installation. Workers may help brick and stone masons.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Few have pursued college level studies. Some employers report that training is usually required prior to employment, but most place an emphasis on previous work experience. Those requiring training seek candidates with an accredited certificate in horticulture.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually require work-related experience prior to employment. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 30 months experience as a landscaper, groundskeeper, gardener, tree trimmer, pruner, laborer, or park maintenance worker.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	82%
Dental Insurance:	71%
Vision Insurance:	65%
Life Insurance:	47%
Paid Vacation:	82%
Paid Sick Leave:	59%
Retirement Plan:	59%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Laborers, Landscapers, and Groundskeepers work full-time, averaging 40 hours per week. A few work part-time or seasonally, at a weekly average of 30 hours and 40 hours, respectively.

*Wages:	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$7.19	\$8.14 - \$12.64	\$6.00	\$9.93
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.00 - \$8.50	\$9.21 - \$12.64	\$7.00	\$11.16
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.00 - \$13.00	\$10.85 - \$14.60	\$9.63	\$12.32

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Landscape & Horticultural Services	41.00%
Real Estate	16.40%
Retail Nurseries & Garden Stores	9.80%
Flowers & Florists	8.20%
Amusement & Recreation Services	6.60%
Membership Organizations	4.10%
Social Services	3.80%
Health Services	3.50%
Other	6.60%

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Knowledge of horticulture

Lawn and garden care skills

Pruning skills

Knowledge of gardening tools

Knowledge of pesticides and herbicides

Sprinkler installation and repair skills

Possession of a valid driver's license

Ability to lift at least 75 lbs. Repeatedly

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Willingness to work with close supervision

Public contact skills

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Ability to write legibly

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Groundsman, Park Maintenance Technician, Landscape Maintenance Worker, Gardener

Related DOT Code: 406.687-010, 408.161-010, 408.687-014,

406.684-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to crew leader, foreman, supervisor or manager positions

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 6% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 24.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Many employers surveyed report they are unionized. Some employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, in-house promotion or transfer, current employee referrals, and unsolicited applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		
Little Difficulty	Х	Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Landscapers and Groundskeepers

Experienced applicants: Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 320 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 60

Separations to 2002: 40
Total Openings: 100

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 18.8%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate new growth.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 19 employers, representing 155 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

## **MAINTENANCE REPAIRERS -- GENERAL UTILITY**

## **OES 851320**

Maintenance Repairers perform work involving two or more maintenance skills to keep the machines, mechanical equipment, and/or structure of an establishment in repair. This occupation is generally found in a small establishment where specialization in maintenance work is impractical. Their duties may involve pipefitting, boilermaking, insulating, welding, machining, machine and equipment repairing, carpentry, and electrical work, as well as planning and laying out of work relating to repairs; repairing electrical and/or mechanical equipment; installing, aligning and balancing new equipment; and repairing buildings, floors, or stairs.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Most recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Few have earned a college degree. Few employers require training prior to employment.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 36 months of experience in the following: construction, carpentry, electrical, mechanical, or HVAC.

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

		<u>Fuii-i ime</u>
Medical Ir	nsurance:	94%
Dental Ins	surance:	78%
Vision Ins	surance:	50%
Life Insura	ance:	56%
Paid Vaca	ation:	94%
Paid Sick	Leave:	72%
Retiremer	nt Plan:	78%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 18 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Maintenance Repairers work full-time, averaging 40 hours per week. Few work part-time, averaging 19 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.00 - \$12.11	\$7.50 - \$11.43	\$6.78	\$9.71
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.50 - \$14.98	\$9.00 - \$13.27	\$7.75	\$10.70
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.50 - \$20.00	\$10.93 - \$16.09	\$11.50	\$11.50

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Educational Services	17.70%
Real Estate	14.90%
Government	10.00%
Health Services	7.10%
Amusement & Recreation Services	6.50%
Business Services	4.30%
Manufacturing	2.70%
Construction	2.40%
Eating Places	2.30%
Hotels & Motels	1.90%
Other	20.70%

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to read and follow instructions

Record keeping skills

Ability to read blueprints

Ability to operate power tools

Ability to repair and install heating and air conditioning systems

Ability to do cement work

Arc & gas welding skills

Painting skills

Carpentry skills

Electrical repair skills

Plumbing repair skills

Ability to lift at least 50 lbs. repeatedly

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Ability to provide own hand tools

## **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Plant Manager, Maintenance Technician, Maintenance Assistant, Operation Technician

Related DOT Code: 899.261-014, 899.381-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to supervisory positions

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 3% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderate. The rate is 19.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Some employers surveyed report they are unionized. Some employees belong to a union.

### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, and unsolicited applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		
Little Difficulty	X	X
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Maintenance Repairers -- General Utility

Experienced applicants: Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 690 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 140

Separations to 2002: 110
Total Openings: 250

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 20.3%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Almost all businesses project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years.

**Employer Responses:** 21 employers, representing 87 employees is this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1999

# MARKETING, ADVERTISING, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGERS

## **OES 130110**

Marketing, Advertising, and Public Relations Managers formulate marketing policies, direct sales activities, and plan, organize, and direct advertising and public relations activities for a department, an entire organization, or on an account basis.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> All employers surveyed report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. Many indicate they require a bachelor's degree. There is little emphasis placed on additional vocational or technical training for this occupation.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months of prior sales, marketing, promotion, or advertising experience.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	93%
Dental Insurance:	60%
Vision Insurance:	40%
Life Insurance:	73%
Paid Vacation:	93%
Paid Sick Leave:	93%
Retirement Plan:	47%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** All Marketing, Advertising, & Public Relations managers surveyed work full-time averaging 42 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$8.00 - 21.58	\$12.95
New Hires, With Experience:	\$9.50 - 23.97	\$14.38
After Three Years With Firm:	\$11.51 - 25.27	\$17.05

<sup>\*</sup>Some firms indicate they pay commission or bonuses in addition to wages.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Photographic Studios, Portrait	10.9%
Automotive Dealers & Gas Stations	9.8%
Business Services	8.6%
Colleges & Universities	8.2%
Printing, Publishing & Allied Industries	6.7%
Department Stores	6.2%
Communication	5.8%
Social Services	4.0%
Gas & Other Service Combined	3.9%
Eating Places	3.9%
Hospitals	3.5%
Other	28.50%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/ 98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to manage an activity or department

Supervisory skills

Ability to analyze and use market research data and reports

Understanding of labor relations practices

Media advertising sales skills

Telephone sales techniques skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to meet sales & other deadlines

Ability to maintain good customer relationships

Ability to manage unexpected situations or circumstances

Ability to manage multiple priorities

Willingness to travel

Excellent interpersonal skills

Ability to organize work and pay attention to detail

Word processing, spreadsheet, database, and desktop publishing skills

Emerging skills include increased familiarity with Internet/web page design

### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: In-house promotion or transfer, current employee referrals, and newspaper ads.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Marketing, Advertising & Public Relations Mgrs.

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 18 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> General Sales Manager, Promotions Director, Product Manager, Marketing Coordinator

**Related DOT Code:** 141.137-010, 163.117-018, 163.117-022, 163.167-010, 163.167-018, 164.117-010, 164.117-018

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to sales account executive, national sales manager, sales director, vice president, or other management positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 44% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 11.1% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 220 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 30 Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 18.2%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Almost all employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 56% of workers are male, 44% are female.

## MEDICINE AND HEALTH SERVICE MANAGERS

## **OES 150080**

Medicine and Health Service Managers plan, organize, direct, control, or coordinate medicine and health services in establishments, such as hospitals, clinics, or similar organizations.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Most employers report they require an associate or bachelor's degree prior to employment; a few require a graduate degree. Many employers indicate they require or prefer additional technical or vocational training prior to hire. Some of the following have been indicated: background in psychology, social work, registered nursing, business, computers.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience prior to employment. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 60 months of experience working within the health industry, and possessing general business management skills.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	76%
Vision Insurance:	59%
Life Insurance:	76%
Paid Vacation:	94%
Paid Sick Leave:	94%
Retirement Plan:	88%

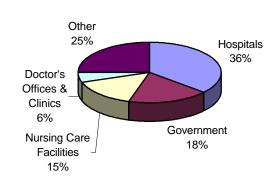
<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Medicine & Health Service Managers work full-time averaging 41 hours per week.

<u>*Wages:</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$10.00 - 16.65	\$12.71
New Hires, With Experience:	\$10.00 - \$38.36	\$16.50
After Three Years With Firm:	\$10.36 - \$30.68	\$19.18

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to follow medical records control procedures

Ability to keep abreast of most recent state & federal regulations

Infection control skills

Ability to interpret policy coverage

Understanding of health insurance

Knowledge of preventing, eradicating, and controlling diseases

Understanding of health department regulations

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to apply inventory control methods

Willingness to work irregular hours

**Negotiation skills** 

Conceptual & analytical skills

Oral communication skills

Business administration skills / knowledge of contracting

Spreadsheet, word processing, and database skills

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Administrator, Medical Director, Medical Offices Manager, Practice Manager, Center Director

**Related DOT Code:** 075.117-014, 075.117-022, 187.117-010,

079.167-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to a director, clinic coordinator, or other administrative position

**No.** Employers responding report that 84% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 14.3% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, private employment agencies, colleges/universities, in-house promotion, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		Х
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Medicine & Health Service Managers

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 49 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 150 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 30

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 50

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for Medicine & Health Service Managers is 20.0%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 18.7%. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 16% or workers are male, 84% are female.

NURSE AIDES OES 660080

Nurse Aides work under the direction of nursing or medical staff to provide auxiliary services in the care of patients. They perform duties such as answering patients' call bells, serving and collecting food trays, and feeding patients. Nurse Aides may be called Assistants, Attendants, or Orderlies. Orderlies are primarily concerned with the care male patients, setting up equipment, and relieving nurses of heavier work. Please do not include Psychiatric Aides and Home Health Aides.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. A few indicate they require an associate's degree prior to hire. State certification as a nurse aide requires 100 hours of supervised clinical training and 50 hours of classroom training. Almost all employers surveyed report they require or prefer certification.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for those with 3 - 12 months of prior nursing aide, home health aide, or related experience.

# HOURS AND WAGES

**Hours:** Many Nurse Aides work full-time averaging 38 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 22 hours weekly. A few work "on-call" at an average of 16 hours per week.

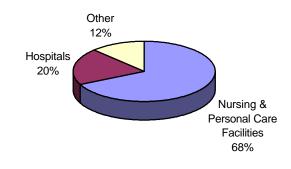
*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$8.71	\$6.25
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - \$8.71	\$6.88
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.99 - \$10.00	\$7.60

## % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

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Medical Insurance:	88%
Dental Insurance:	76%
Vision Insurance:	47%
Life Insurance:	65%
Paid Vacation:	82%
Paid Sick Leave:	71%
Retirement Plan:	47%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to provide personal services to patients

Ability to exercise compassion, care, and empathy

Knowledge of orthopedic care

Understanding of asepsis

Ability to administer emergency first aid and CPR

Ability to apply dressings and compresses

Ability to apply transferring techniques moving patients

Knowledge of surgical preparation procedures

Post surgical care skills

Possession of nurses aid certification is desirable

Ability to handle crisis situations

Record keeping skills

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Ability to read and follow instructions

Oral communication skills / people skills

## **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Nurse Aides

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 773 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Certified Nurse Aide, Certified Nursing Assistant, Personal Care Attendant

**Related DOT Code:** 354.374-010, 354.377-010, 354.677-010, 355.674-014, 355.674-018

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to medical records clerk or other clerical positions; to facilities supervisor or restorative aide; to LVN or RN by meeting additional education requirements

**No.** Employers responding report that 90% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 56.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 920 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 210

Separations to 2002: 100 Total Openings: 310

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.8%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate growth.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 10% of workers are male, 90% are female.

YEAR STUDIED: 2000

## PAINTERS, PAPERHANGERS -- CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

**OES 874020** 

Painters, Paperhangers, Construction and Maintenance paint walls, equipment, buildings, bridges, and other structural surfaces using brushes, rollers, and spray guns. They may mix colors or oils to obtain desired color or consistency. Paperhangers cover interior walls and ceilings of rooms with decorative wallpaper or fabric.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Some employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among those surveyed, none indicate a preference for hiring applicants who have had technical or vocational training.

<u>Experience:</u> Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 36 months of prior painting experience.

## **Skills and Qualifications:**

Able to determine the kind of tools and equipment needed to do a job Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate

Able to use and read a tape measure

Knowledge of paints and related chemicals

Brush, roller, and spray painting skills

Drywall installation and repair skills

Surface preparation skills

Able to tolerate dust and paint fumes

Able to work from ladders and scaffolds

Possession of good color perception

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to lift at least 50 pounds repeatedly

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Willing to work with close supervision

Able to pay attention to detail

Customer service skills

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.00 - 10.00 \$8.00 - 12.00	\$7.00 \$9.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$10.00 - 15.00	\$12.00

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Painters and Paperhangers work full-time at an average of 39 hours per week.

## Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	12%	24%	0%
Dental Insurance	0%	6%	12%
Vision Insurance	0%	6%	0%
Life Insurance	12%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	12%	0%	0%
Vacation	35%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	0%	6%	6%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Painters & Paperhangers

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 72 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 130 - 150 (Medium)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 93% of workers are

male, 7% are female.

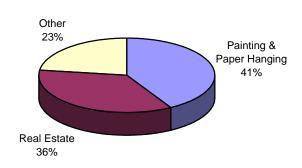
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 20 <u>Separations to 2004:</u> 20 Total Openings: 40

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 15.4%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the nest two years. Some anticipate growth over this period.

#### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: None Available

Related DOT Code: 840.381-010, 840.381-018, 840.681-010, 840.684-010, 841.381-010, 845.681-010, 869.664-014

**Promotional Opportunities:** May be promoted from apprentice to journey painter; to supervisor

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 34.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

Personal and Home Care Aides perform a variety of tasks at places of residence. Their duties include keeping house; advising families having problems with such things as nutrition, health, cleanliness, and household utilities. Does not include Nurses' Aides and Home Health Care Workers.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Some indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. Those seeking trained applicants place an emphasis on nursing aide, home care assistance, family and children, and training in counseling and other aspects of the behavioral sciences.

<u>Experience</u>: Many employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months experience as a personal and home care aide, nursing aide, counselor, or other personal assistance.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Being aware of others' reactions and understand why they react the way they do

Able to actively look for ways to help people

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate Able to teach others how to do something

Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and w

Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches

Able to identify the things that must be changed to achieve a goal Able to observe and evaluate the outcomes of a problem solution to identify lessons learned or redirect efforts

Able to use multiple approaches when learning or teaching new things Understanding of good diet and nutrition

Knowledge of geriatrics and family social work

High standards of personal cleanliness

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 6.50	\$6.00
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$5.75 - 8.00	\$6.50
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$6.25 - 11.00	\$8.00

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Some Personal & Home Care Aides work on a temporary or "on-call" basis, averaging 7 hours per week. Some work full-time at an average of 40 hours weekly. Some work part-time averaging 19 hours per week.

## Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

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	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	7%	0%	47%	0%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	7%	0%	7%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	40%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	47%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	0%	0%	27%	0%	0%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Personal & Home Care Aides

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and colleges & universities.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 376 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

**Size of Employment:** 560 - 680 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 16% of workers are

male, 84% are female.

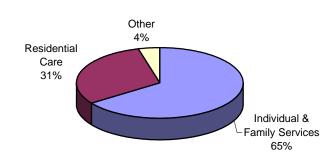
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 120 <u>Separations to 2004:</u> 80 Total Openings: 200

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 21.4%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Resident Staff, Pesonal Home Care Attendant, Direct Care Staff, Respite Care Provider, Personal Supportive Living Staff, Life Guidance Staff, Homemaker

Related DOT Code: 309.354-010, 359.573-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to case management staff, respite worker, facilitator, instructor, house manager, supervisor, facility supervisor, or coordinator

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 32.2% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

## **PHYSICAL THERAPISTS**

## **OES 323080**

Physical Therapists apply techniques and treatments that help relieve pain, increase the patient's strength, and decrease or prevent deformity or crippling.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All employers responding indicate they require at least a bachelor's degree prior to hiring an applicant for this occupation. Additionally, graduation from a committee-approved school of physical therapy is required by the State of California. Private practice physical therapy requires certification to perform outpatient medicare services.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 24 months of experience as a physical therapist.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Tim</u>
Medical Insurance:	71%
Dental Insurance:	50%
Vision Insurance:	36%
Life Insurance:	71%
Paid Vacation:	79%
Paid Sick Leave:	79%
Retirement Plan:	71%

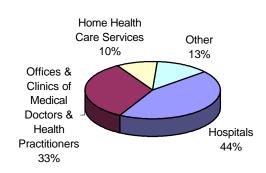
<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 14 employers responding to this particular question.

## **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Physical Therapists work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 20 wours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$18.00 - \$28.00	\$23.48
New Hires, With Experience:	\$20.00 - \$36.63	\$26.94
After Three Years With Firm:	\$21.00 - \$39.03	\$30.98

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Knowledge of geriatrics

Knowledge of pediatrics

Knowledge of sports medicine

Knowledge of cardiac rehabilitation

Ability to provide safe and effective provisions of therapy

Problem solving skills

Manual dexterity

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Knowledge of the ways in which health care systems work is desirable

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work as part of a team

Ability to work independently

Oral communication skills

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Staff Physical Therapist

**Related DOT Code:** 076.121-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to director or regional

consultant

**Nontraditional Occupation:** No. Employers responding

report that 46% of workers are female.

**Turnover:** Among employers surveyed, the rate is 11.1% for

employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no

unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: colleges/universities, current employee referrals, school or program referrals, and newspaper ads.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Physical Therapists
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 14 employers, representing 54 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 90 -- Small

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 30

Separations to 2002: 10 Total Openings: 40

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for Physical Therapists is 33.3%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 54% or workers are male, 46% are female.

# PLUMBERS, PIPEFITTERS, AND STEAMFITTERS

## **OES 875020**

Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters assemble, install, alter and repair pipe systems (metal, plastic, ceramic, composition, etc.) that carry water, steam, air, or other liquids or gases. Please do not include plumbers and pipefitters who primarily install and repair heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration systems.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Almost all employers report that they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to employment. Most indicate they do not require or prefer technical or vocational training. However, most express that their firm will accept plumbing training as a substitute for work experience.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months of prior plumbing experience. They also express a strong preference for those with proven mechanical aptitude.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

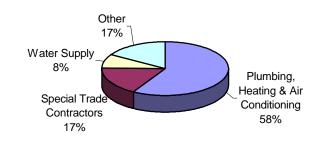
	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	73%
Dental Insurance:	20%
Vision Insurance:	20%
Life Insurance:	27%
Paid Vacation:	67%
Paid Sick Leave:	27%
Retirement Plan:	20%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters work full-time at an average of 40 hours per week. A few work seasonally at 40 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.00 - 13.82	\$7.25
New Hires, With Experience:	\$7.19 - 13.82	\$10.50
After Three Years With Firm:	\$13.00 - 20.00	\$16.00

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to read blueprints and follow instructions Ability to use hand tools -- mechanical aptitude

Cost estimating skills

Pipefittiing skills

Arc & gas welding skills

Soldering skills

Understanding of building codes

Posession of a valid driver's license

Ability to lift at least 50 lbs.

Ability to provide own hand tools

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Public contact skills

Ability to work independently

Basic math skills

Able to present a clean appearance

## **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Utility Worker, Apprentice Plumber, Journeyman Plumber, Plumbing Technician, Service Technician

Related DOT Code: 862.261-010, 862.281-022, 862.381-030, 862.381-034, 862.681-010, 862.281-026

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted from apprentice plumber to journey level; may be promoted to superintendent, foreman, lead plumber, or estimator

<u>Nontraditional Occupation:</u> Yes. Employers responding report that 3% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 8.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees belong to a union.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, walk-in applicants, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		Х
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 59 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 110 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 60

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 36.4%, which is growing much faster than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Many anticipate new growth over this same period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 97% of workers are male, 3% are female.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

## PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS

## **OES 150110**

Property and Real Estate Managers and Administrators plan, organize, direct, control, or coordinate real estate property management, purchase, sales, and leasing activities. Their work involves management of buildings or properties, management of real estate buying and selling activities for clients or employers, and management of rented or leased housing units, buildings, or land (including rights-of-way). Please do not include workers whose duties are not primarily managerial or who are engaged primarily in direct buying or selling of real estate.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Almost all new hires have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few employers indicate that training is required prior to employment, but report a preference for previous experience. Employers place an emphasis in the area of "on-the-job" training under the direction of a property management supervisor.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually require work experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 48 months of experience in real estate, property, or resident management.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Fuii-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	73%
Dental Insurance:	45%
Vision Insurance:	36%
Life Insurance:	55%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	82%
Retirement Plan:	55%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 11 employers responding to this particular question.

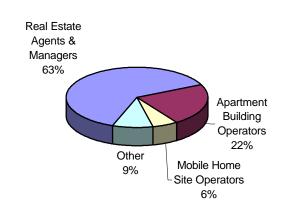
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Property And Real Estate Managers work full-time, averaging 41 hours per week. Some work part-time, at an average of 11 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$6.96 - \$12.01	\$8.96
New Hires, With Experience:	\$8.80 - \$16.88	\$10.69
After Three Years With Firm:	\$8.80 - \$18.22	\$11.99

<sup>\*</sup>Due to broad occupational definition, which includes resident managers, almost all "on-site" property managers receive free housing allowance, which is calculated into the wage information.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Business math skills

Ability to maintain financial records

Ability to manage an activity or department

Ability to plan and organize the work of others

Ability to prepare and arrange sales contracts

Ability to handle credit and collections

Knowledge of escrow and title functions

Ability to hire and assign personnel

Ability to negotiate property leases

Carpentry skills

Ability to work independently

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Problem solving skills

Public contact / Oral communication skills

Emerging skills place an increased emphasis on computer knowledge, primarily in terms of word processing and spreadsheet software

# OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Alternate Job Titles: Resident Manager, Manager

**Related DOT Code:** 186.167-018, 186.167-038, 186.167-046,

191.117-050, 186.117-046, 186.167-066

**Career Ladders:** May be promoted to regional manager

**No.** Employers responding report that 49% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 21.6% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	X
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Property And Real Estate Managers

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS

Size of 1995 Employment: 130 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 20

Separations to 2002: 20 Total Openings: 40

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 15.4%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some expect new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 37 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

YEAR STUDIED: 1998

## RECEPTIONISTS AND INFORMATION CLERKS

## **OES 553050**

Receptionists and Information Clerks answer inquiries and obtain information for the general public (customers, visitors, and other interested parties) concerning activities conducted at an establishment, such as the location of offices or persons within the firm, departments within the store, or services within the hotel. They may perform a variety of other clerical duties. Please do not include Receptionists who primarily operate switchboards.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Some have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. Few employers require training prior to employment, but indicate a preference for work experience. Those that do, seek candidates with basic computer and general office training.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they usually require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months in various aspects of office experience. These include the following: receptionist, administrative assistant, dental office, secretary, clerk typist, or customer service.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	Full-Time
Medical Insurance:	90%
Dental Insurance:	57%
Vision Insurance:	48%
Life Insurance:	62%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	90%
Retirement Plan:	76%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 21 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Most Receptionists work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Few work part-time, at an average of 21 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Range	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.88 - \$9.53	\$7.00	\$9.37
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.88 - \$10.21	\$8.00	\$9.78
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.82 - \$12.08	\$9.00	\$11.83

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Personal & Business Services Colleges & Universities Health Services Insurance & Real Estate Veterinary Services Legal Services Social Services Local Government Accounting, Auditing, & Bookkeeping	27.0% 18.4% 17.8% 4.0% 3.1% 2.3% 2.1% 1.4% 1.3%
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## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Alphabetic and numeric filing skills

Bookkeeping skills / Some accounting skills desirable

Ability to operate an enhanced communication system (voice mail, paging)

Telephone answering skills / Oral communication skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to type at least 45 wpm

Willingness to work with close supervision

Customer service skills / Public contact skills

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Strong emphasis placed on increased computer skills, especially in terms of word processing, data base, spreadsheet, and keeping apprised of new software packages

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Administrative Assistant, Front Office Receptionist, Customer Service Representative, Office Assistant

<u>Related DOT Code:</u> 237.367-010, 237.367-018, 237.367-022, 237.367-038, 237.367-042, 237.367-046

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to billing clerk, payroll, bookkeeper, secretary, sales assistant, or office manager

**No.** Employers responding report that 97% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> High. The rate is 41.2% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, and private employment agencies.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty		Х
Little Difficulty	Х	
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Receptionists And Information Clerks

Experienced applicants: Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

## OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 1,010 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 260

Separations to 2002: 170 Total Openings: 430

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 25.7%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some anticipate growth over this period.

**Employer Responses:** 23 employers, representing 102 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing this occupational profile.

### RECREATION WORKERS

OFS 273110

Recreation Workers conduct recreation activities with groups in public, private, or volunteer agencies or recreation facilities. They consider the needs and interests of individual members and organize and promote activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, music, dramatics, social recreation, camping, and hobbies.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Almost all employers report they require at least a high school diploma. A few report they require an associate's degree. Many indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire. Training sought has been expressed by many employers as a recreation degree or certificate.

Experience: All employers responding report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of prior recreation experience.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Able to actively look for ways to help people

Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react the way they do

Able to develop approaches for implementing an idea

Able to motivate, develop, and direct people as they work, identifying the best people for the job

Able to manage one's own time and the time of others

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate

Knowledge of geriatrics

Able to administer emergency first aid

Able to accurately record and report information

Good physical condition

Possession of a good police record

Able to work independently

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 11.16	\$6.25
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.25 - 9.67	\$7.35
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$7.10 - 15.10	\$9.00

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Recreation Workers work part-time avaraging 25 hours per week. Some work seasonally averaging 23 hours per week. A few work full-time at an average of 41 hours weekly.

## Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Sha	Shared		Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	st	Pay	s All	
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT	
Medical Insurance	20%	0%	27%	7%	0%	0%	
Dental Insurance	27%	0%	20%	7%	0%	0%	
Vision Insurance	20%	0%	13%	0%	0%	0%	
Life Insurance	33%	7%	7%	0%	0%	0%	
Sick Leave	47%	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Vacation	53%	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Retirement Plan	27%	0%	7%	7%	7%	0%	
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Recreation Workers
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and colleges & universities.

**Employer Responses:** 15 employers, representing 196 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

**Size of Employment:** 690 - 740 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 37% of workers are

male, 63% are female.

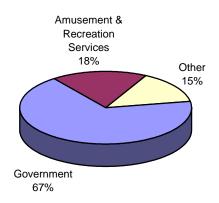
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 50
Separations to 2004: 230
Total Openings: 280

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 7.2%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Many anticipate new growth over this period.

#### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Activities Director, Activities Coordinator, Program Specialist, Program Coordinator, Recreation Leader, Recreation Coordinator, Guide Trainee

**Related DOT Code:** 153.137-010, 159.124-010, 187.167-238, 195.227-010, 195.227-014, 352.167-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to instructor, recreation II & III positions, recreation manager, or site director

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 12.2% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

## **REGISTERED NURSES**

## **OES 325020**

Registered Nurses administer nursing care to ill or injured persons. This group includes administrative, public health, industrial, private duty, and surgical nurses. Licensing or registration is required. Please do not include Nursing Instructors and Teachers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All recent hires have earned either a bachelor's degree or an associate's degree. Prior to practicing as a registered nurse, the State of California requires candidates to be graduates of an accredited school of professional nursing, followed by licensing. Persons interested in becoming a registered nurse should seek full details by contacting the California Board of Registered Nursing.

**Experience:** Almost all employers usually or always require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 24 months of previous experience in nursing.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	93%
Vision Insurance:	67%
Life Insurance:	87%
Paid Vacation:	93%
Paid Sick Leave:	93%
Retirement Plan:	80%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

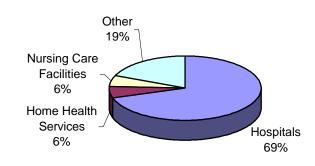
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Registered Nurses work full-time for an average of 40 hours per week. Some work part-time, averaging 25 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$10.40 - \$18.00	\$14.42 - \$16.26	\$15.46	\$15.34
New Hires, With Experience:	\$12.00 - \$25.00	\$14.42 - \$17.54	\$16.63	\$15.98
After Three Years With Firm:	\$13.50 - \$27.00	\$15.05 - \$18.17	\$18.75	\$16.61

\*Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## WHERE THE JOBS ARE



## **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to complete and explain insurance forms

Ability to plan and organize the work of others

Ability to monitor and provide personal services to patients

Ability to administer an electro-cardiograph (EKG) test

Record keeping skills

Intensive care treatment skills

Ability to apply transferring techniques moving patients

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Keeping apprised of new and effective drugs in use

Manipulation of intrathecal catheters

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Ability to work under pressure

Public contact / Oral communication skills

Emerging skills place an emphasis on computer literacy

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	
Little Difficulty		Х
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Registered Nurses
Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Competitive

#### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Surgical Nurse, RN Charge Nurse, Administrative Nurse, School Nurse

**Related DOT Code:** 075.364-010, 075.124-010, 075.124-014, 075.137-014, 075.374-014, 075.374-018, 075.167-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to a director of nursing staff, coordinator of clinic, charge nurse of specialty unit, or other administrative positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 76% or workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately Low. The rate is 8.3% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Of firms surveyed, some employees belong to a union

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 1,620 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 370

Separations to 2002: 170 Total Openings: 540

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.8%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years. Some expect new growth.

**Employer Responses:** 16 employers, representing 734 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS

**OES 323020** 

Respiratory Care Practitioners provide diagnostic and therapeutic respiratory care. They set up and operate various types of equipment to measure pulmonary function, and administer oxygen therapy, ventilator therapy, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. They observe, monitor, and record the patient's responses to treatments and maintain patient records.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: All employers responding report they require at least an associate's degree. All indicate they require graduation from a respiratory therapy school and licensing by the State Respiratory Care Board.

<u>Experience</u>: Most employers report they require or prefer prior work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months of previous experience as a respiratory care practitioner.

#### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to control operations of equipment or systems (includes ability to administer an electro-encephalograph and electro-cardiograph test)

Able to assist physician during bronchoscopy

Able to perform endotracheal intubation

Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents

Able to assess how well one is doing when learning or doing something Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate

Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and weaknesses

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Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to watch gauges, dials, or other indicators to make sure a machine is working properly

Able to actively look for ways to help people

Able to write effectively and legibly

Able to work under pressure and handle crisis situations

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$12.55 - 17.00	\$15.00
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$10.65 - 19.00	\$14.91
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$14.17 - 21.00	\$17.55

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Respiratory Care Practitioners work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 19 hours per week.

## Benefits (% of Employers\* Offering Benefits):

	Employer		Sha	ıred	Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pay	s All
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	50%	0%	50%	33%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	50%	0%	50%	33%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	50%	0%	50%	33%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	33%	0%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Sick Leave	100	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	100	33%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	33%	17%	67%	17%	0%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	17%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 6 employers responding to this particular question.

#### **EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

## **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		X
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Respiratory Care Practitioners

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, walk-in applicants, and current employee referrals.

**Employer Responses:** 6 employers, representing 46 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

Size of Employment: 80 - 100 (Small)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 37% of workers are

male, 63% are female.

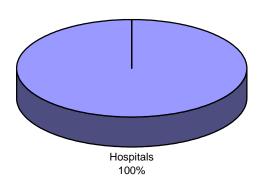
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 20
Separations to 2004: 10
Total Openings: 30

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 25.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Many anticipate growth to remain stable over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Respiratory Therapist, Staff Therapist

**Related DOT Code:** 076.361-014

**Promotional Opportunities:** May be promoted to center manager or branch manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 10.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

ROOFERS OES 878080

Roofers perform duties concerned with covering roofs of structures with slate, asphalt, aluminum, wood, and related materials using brushes, knives, punches, hammers, and other tools. They may spray roofs, sidings, and walls with material to bind, seal, insulate, or soundproof sections of structures.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Most employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among those responding, none indicate they require technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Many employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months experience as a roofer, roofing-related, or other construction-related occupation.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to determine the kind of tools and equipment needed to do a job Able to control operations of equipment or systems

Knowledge of tar and asphalt mixtures

Able to install and repair shingles and shakes

Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to repair machines or systems using the needed tools

Able to apply asphalt felts and coatings

Able to apply composition roofing materials

Able to implement safe work practices

Basic construction and carpentry skills

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Understanding of building codes

Possession of a valid driver's license

Able to tolerate dust and unpleasant odors

Able to lift at least 100 pounds repeatedly

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$7.00 - 8.00	\$7.00
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.50 - 13.00	\$10.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$9.50 - 15.50	\$12.50

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Many Roofers work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Many work seasonally at an average of 40 hours weekly.

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	0%	25%	0%
Dental Insurance	0%	17%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	8%	0%
Life Insurance	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	0%	8%	0%
Retirement Plan	8%	8%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 12 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Roofers

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

Recruitment Methods: The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals and newspaper ads.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 12 employers, representing 86 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

Size of Employment: 80 - 90 (Small)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are

male, 0% are female.

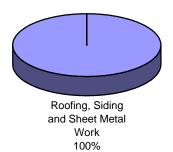
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 10
Separations to 2004: 20
Total Openings: 30

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 12.5%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Many anticipate growth to remain stable over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Journey Roofers

Related DOT Code: 866.381-010, 866.381-014, 866.684-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to estimator, foreperson, journey roofer, or superintendent

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 40.7% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

## **SALESPERSONS -- PARTS**

### **OES 490140**

Parts Salespersons sell spare and replaceable parts and equipment from behind a counter in agency, repair shop, or parts store. They determine the make, year, and type of part needed by observing the damages part or listening to a description of the malfunction. They read a catalogue to find stock number, price, etc., and fill the customer's order from stock. Please do no include workers whose primary responsibilities are to receive, store, and issue materials, equipment, and other items from the stockroom.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All recent new hires possess a high school diploma or equivalent. Many have been engaged in college course work without having earned a degree. No employer surveyed indicates requiring training prior to employment.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they usually require work-related experience prior to employment. Employers tend to hire applicants with 6 - 48 months experience in the following: parts counter sales, inventory control, shipping & receiving, mechanics, customer service, other sales experience.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	95%
Dental Insurance:	74%
Vision Insurance:	47%
Life Insurance:	63%
Paid Vacation:	95%
Paid Sick Leave:	42%
Retirement Plan:	63%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 19 employers responding to this particular question.

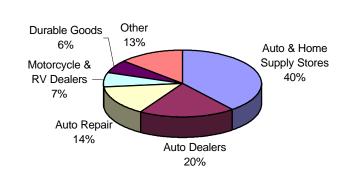
### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Parts Salespersons work full-time, averaging 40 hours per week. A few work part-time, at an average of 19 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Non-Union <u>Median</u>	Union <u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - \$13.00	\$6.75	\$9.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$6.00 - \$14.50	\$8.63	\$12.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.00 - \$20.17	\$11.00	\$16.00

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to apply sales techniques

Cash handling skills

Understanding of inventory techniques / bar coding

Ability to operate a cash register

Telephone answering skills / Oral communication skills

Ability to lift at least 50 lbs. repeatedly

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Willingness to work with close supervision

Ability to work independently

Customer service skills

Basic math skills

Ability to read and follow instructions

Ability to write legibly

Emerging skills include an increased knowledge of computers, especially in terms of point-of-sale computers and databases

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Counter Salesperson, Parts Counter Person, Salesperson, Parts Advisor, Sales Associate

Related DOT Code: 279.357-062, 277.357-050

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to sales manager, service manager, service writer, inside or outside field sales positions

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 11% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Moderately High. The rate is 23.6% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report they are unionized. Few employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Recruitment Methods: The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, in-house promotion or transfer, and private employment agencies

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	X	Х
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Salespersons -- Parts
Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 200 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 30

Separations to 2002: 50
Total Openings: 80

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 15.0%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next three years. Many expect employment to remain stable over this time period.

**Employer Responses:** 19 employers, representing 55 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **SALESPERSONS -- RETAIL (EXCEPT VEHICLE SALES)**

OES 490112

Retail Salespersons (except Vehicle Sales) sell a variety of merchandise to the public. They assist the customer in making selections, obtain or receive the merchandise, total the bill, receive the payment in cash or by check or credit card, operate a cash register, and make change for the customer. They may stock shelves and set up advertising displays. Does not include workers who work primarily as Cashiers.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among those responding, none indicate they require technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience</u>: Some employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months of retail sales or related experience.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to actively look for ways to help people

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react the way they do

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate

Able to use mathematics to solve problems

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to communicate effectively with others in writing as indicated by needs of the audience

Able to persuade others to approach things differently

Understanding of inventory techniques

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to lift at least 50 pounds repeatedly

Meet employer grooming standards

Willing to work with close supervision

Customer service skills

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$5.75 - 8.00	\$5.90
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$5.85 - 10.00	\$7.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$6.75 - 16.78	\$9.50

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Many Retail Salespersons work part-time at 20 hours per week. Many work full-time at an average of 39 hours per week.

	Emp	loyer	Sha	ared	Empl	loyee
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pay	s All
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	13%	6%	56%	13%	6%	0%
Dental Insurance	6%	6%	63%	13%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	6%	6%	31%	13%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	13%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	69%	19%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	75%	19%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	6%	0%	44%	13%	0%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	
Not Difficult		Χ

The Job Market for: Salespersons -- Retail
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: walk-in applicants, current employee referrals, and newspaper ads.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 16 employers, representing 929 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

**Size of Employment:** 2,540 - 2,870 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 47% of workers are

male, 53% are female.

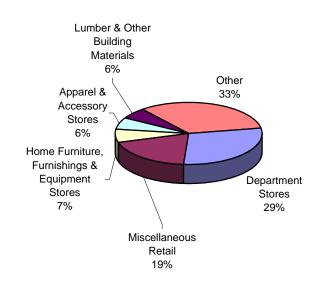
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 330
Separations to 2004: 640
Total Openings: 970

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 13.0%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Sales Associate, Counter Person

**Related DOT Code:** 261.357-046, 261.357-050, 261.357-062, 261.357-066, 270.357-010, 270.357-030, 279.357-054

**Promotional Opportunities:** May be promoted to assistant manager, supervisor, floor supervisor, or department manager

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 44.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> No. Employers responding indicate no unionization for this occupation.

YEAR STUDIED: 1999

## SALES REPRESENTATIVES -- EXCEPT SCIENTIFIC AND RELATED

### **OES 490080**

Sales Representatives, Except Scientific and Related Products and Services, sell goods and services for wholesalers or manufacturers to businesses or groups of individuals. This work requires a substantial knowledge of the items sold. Sales representatives solicit orders from established clients or secure new customers.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Almost all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent prior to hiring in this occupation. Some indicate they require an associate or bachelor's degree. Some express they do not require technical or vocational training prior to employment. Few employers will accept training as a substitute for experience, as a large emphasis is placed on previous sales experience.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 36 months of proven sales experience.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	75%
Vision Insurance:	56%
Life Insurance:	75%
Paid Vacation:	100%
Paid Sick Leave:	88%
Retirement Plan:	81%

### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Employers responding report that all Sales Representatives work full-time averaging 42 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 11.97	\$8.46
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 19.18	\$11.51
After Three Years With Firm:	\$7.67 - 28.77	\$14.38

<sup>\*</sup>Almost all employers report that employees earn commission in addition to these wages.

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Wholesale Trade Durable Goods	25.1%
Wholesale Trade Nondurable Goods	15.5%
	15.576
Food & Kindred Products	4.8%
Lumber & Other Building Materials	4.8%
Industrial & Commercial Machinery	4.3%
Miscellaneous Retail Establishments	3.8%
Help Supply Services	3.4%
Paints & Allied Products	2.5%
Business Services	1.8%
Carpentry Work	1.6%
Other	32.4%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Business math skills

Ability to maintain and expand customer contacts

Ability to apply sales techniques

Record keeping skills

Ability to prepare and arrenge sales contracts

Understanding of inventory techniques

Ability to possess a broad knowledge of pertinent industry

Verbal presentation skills

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Ability to demonstrate knowledge of specific products

Possession of a reliable vehicle

Willingness to travel

Ability to work independently

Exceptional customer skills

Report writing skills

Possession of a valid driver's license

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Sales Manager, Sales Executive, Account Executive, Account Representative, Outside Sales Representative

**Related DOT Code:** 260.357-014, 261.357-034, 261.357-038, 274.357-014, 274.357-062, 275.357-034, 279.357-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to sales manager, account manager, route manager, field sales representative

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 20% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 9.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> No. Employers responding report no unionization for this occupation.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, private employment agencies, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Sales Representatives -- Except Scientific

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 16 employers, representing 81 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 500 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 60

Separations to 2002: 90 Total Openings: 150

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 12.0%, which is growing slower than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Many expect employment to remain stable over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 80% of workers are male, 20% are female.

### SHEET METAL WORKERS

**OES 891320** 

Sheet Metal Workers fabricate, assemble, install, and repair sheet metal products and equipment, such as control boxes, drainpipes, and furnace casings. Their work may involve setting up and operating fabricating machines to cut, bend, and straighten sheet metal; shaping metal over anvils, blocks, or forms using a hammer; operating soldering and welding equipment to join sheet metal parts; and inspecting, assembling, and smoothing seams and joints of burred surfaces.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Among those responding, none indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 24 - 36 months of sheet metal, welding, or related experience.

### **Skills and Qualifications:**

Install equipment, machines, wiring, or programs to meet specifications Able to control operations of equipment or systems

Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to determine the kind of tools and equipment needed to do a job

Able to use mathematics to solve problems

Able to repair machines or systems using the needed tools

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to read blueprints

Mechanical drawing & sheet metal working skills

Welding skills

Manual dexterity

Good hand-eye coordination

Able to stand continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to lift at least 50 pounds repeatedly

Willing to work with close supervision

Spatial aptitude

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	Median
New Hires, No Experience	\$6.50 - 9.00	\$8.50
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$8.00 - 16.00	\$10.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$10.00 - 19.00	\$12.50

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Among employers surveyed, all Sheet Metal Workers work full-time averaging 40 hours per week.

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	10%	70%	0%
Dental Insurance	0%	50%	0%
Vision Insurance	0%	10%	0%
Life Insurance	0%	10%	10%
Sick Leave	30%	0%	0%
Vacation	80%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	10%	20%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 10 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Sheet Metal Workers
Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, walk-in applicants, and Employment Development Department.

**Employer Responses:** 10 employers, representing 25 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 120 - 140 (Medium)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are

male, 0% are female.

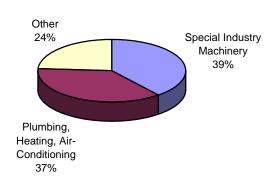
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 20 <u>Separations to 2004:</u> 20 Total Openings: 40

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 16.7%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Sheet Metal Fabricator, Sheet Metal Installer, Metal Worker

Related DOT Code: 804.281-010, 804.281-014

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to crew chief or supervisor

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 24.0% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

### **SOCIAL WORKERS -- MEDICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC**

### **OES 273020**

Medical and Psychiatric Social Workers counsel and aid individuals and families with problems that may arise during or following the recovery from physical or mental illness by providing supportive services designed to help the persons understand, accept, and follow medical recommendations. Please include Chemical Dependency Counselors.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Most employers report they require at least a bachelor's degree prior to hiring in this occupation. Most require or prefer additional training, such as: substance abuse certification, domestic violence experience, or Alzheimer training. Many require a master's degree. Though not required by all, to be licensed as a clinical social worker (LCSW), an additional 3,200 hours of supervised postgraduate experience is required by the state.

**Experience:** All employers surveyed report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 60 months of previous social work-related experience.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

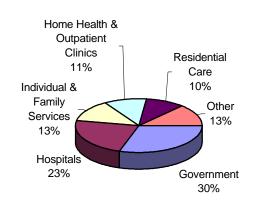
	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	75%
Dental Insurance:	69%
Vision Insurance:	44%
Life Insurance:	63%
Paid Vacation:	69%
Paid Sick Leave:	56%
Retirement Plan:	56%

#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Many Medical & Psychiatric Social Workers work part-time averaging 21 hours per week. Some work full-time at an average of 41 hours weekly.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$7.35 - 20.00	\$12.16
New Hires, With Experience:	\$7.35 - 25.00	\$13.91
After Three Years With Firm:	\$8.00 - 26.79	\$17.00

#### WHERE THE JOBS ARE



<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Understanding of court proceedings

Record keeping skills

Knowledge of veterans services

Ability to treat substance abuse

Keeping apprised of changes in chemical dependency treatment

Knowledge of family social work

Knowledge of Alzheimers Disease

Possession of a valid driver's license

Knowledge of protective services for children and adults

Psychiatric social work skills

Ability to interview other for information

Understanding of a variety of cultures

Possession of a clean police record

Ability to apply complex rules and regulations

Ability to maintain confidentiality and exercise professionalism

Ability to write effectively and legibly

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Substance Abuse Counselor, Chemical Dependency Couns., Psychiatric Worker, Mental Health Couns.

Related DOT Code: 045.107-058, 195.107-030, 195.107-034

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to supervising clinician, supervising social worker, case management supervisor, mental health superintendent, or director of behavioral health

**No.** Employers responding report that 64% of the workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 20.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their workers are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, and in-house promotion or transfer.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Medical & Psychiatric Social Workers

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 96 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 180 -- Medium

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 40

Separations to 2002: 30 Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.2%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 36% of workers are male, 64% are female.

### SYSTEMS ANALYSTS -- ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING

**OES 251020** 

Systems Analysts, Electronic Data Processing, analyze business, scientific, and technical problems for application to electronic data processing systems. Does not include persons working primarily as engineers, mathematicians, programmers, or scientists.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Among those surveyed, all employers report they require at least a high school degree or equivalent. Most indicate they require at least an associate's degree. Some report they require a bachelor's degree. Almost all employers indicate they require or prefer technical training prior to hiring in this occupation. Specific training requirements vary widely, but employers highlight the following: college degree in computer information systems, management information systems, or computer science. Further, database training, A+certification, and knowledge of various platforms are all sought after.

<u>Experience:</u> Among those responding, all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 36 months experience as a systems analyst.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents Able to write computer programs for various purposes

Able to determine what is causing an operating error and deciding what to do about it

Able to conduct tests to determine whether equipment, software, or procedures are operating as expected

Able to identify the nature of problems

Able to analyze needs and product requirements to create a design Able to communicate effectively with others in writing as indicated by the needs of the audience

Able to know how to find information and identify essential information Able to develop approaches for implementing an idea

Able to use logic and analysis to identify the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches

Able to find ways to structure or classify multiple pieces of information

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience New Hires, W/ Experience	\$11.51 - 19.18 \$8.00 - 27.88	\$11.93 \$14.72
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$13.81 - 30.00	\$26.37

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Almost all Systems Analysts work full-time averaging 42 hour per week.

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	63%	38%	0%
Dental Insurance	56%	19%	6%
Vision Insurance	50%	13%	6%
Life Insurance	56%	19%	6%
Sick Leave	94%	6%	0%
Vacation	94%	6%	0%
Retirement Plan	44%	38%	6%
Child Care	6%	0%	6%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Systems Analysts
Experienced applicants: Not Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

<u>Recruitment Methods:</u> The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, the Internet, current employee referrals, and in-house promotion or transfer.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 16 employers, representing 67 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 100 - 160 (Medium)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 70% of workers are

male, 30% are female.

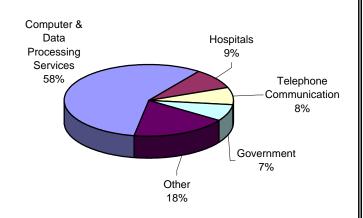
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 60
Separations to 2004: 10
Total Openings: 70

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 60.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to grow over the next two years. Many anticipate growth to remain stable over this period.

#### Where The Jobs Are



#### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Network Analyst, Network Engineer, Information Systems Analyst, Director of Information Systems, Information Systems Administrator, Technical Consultant

**Related DOT Code:** 030.162-014, 030.162-022, 030.167-014, 033.262.010, 109.067-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to senior systems analyst, project manager, team leader, supervisor of information services, information systems director, senior consultant, or software engineer

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 7.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

### TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTORS -- VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**OES 313140** 

Vocational Education and Training Teachers and Instructors teach or instruct vocational and/or occupational subjects at the post-secondary level (but at less than the baccalaureate) to students who have graduated or left high school. They teach subjects such as business, secretarial science, data processing, trades, or practical nursing. Does not include correspondence school instructors; industrial, commercial or government training instructors; and instructors who prepare persons to operate industrial machinery and equipment and transportation and communications equipment. They may teach in public or private schools or in schools associated with organizations whose primary business is other than education.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Among those surveyed, all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Some indicate they require a college degree. Most report they require technical or vocational training prior to hire. This training may be in the form of achieving an instructor's license, completing college course work, or gaining necessary computer training.

<u>Experience:</u> Most employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 36 months of prior experience as a vocational education and training teacher or instructor.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to talk to others to effectively convey information

Able to teach others how to do something

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate Able to use multiple approaches when learning or teaching new things Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents

Able to communicate effectively with others in writing as indicated by the needs of the audience

Able to develop approaches for implementing an idea

Able to weigh the relative costs and benefits of a potential action

Able to know how to find information and identify essential information

Able to identify the things that must be changed to achieve a goal

Knowledge of Occupational Safety & Health Administration standards Able to work under pressure

Able to perform advanced mathematical computations

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

<u>Wages:</u>	Non-Union	Union	Non-Union	Union
	<u>Range</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$7.00 - 15.00	Insufficient Data	\$9.50	\$22.37
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.90 - 15.00	\$24.98 - 27.87	\$9.53	\$26.43
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$10.00 - 20.00	\$25.57 - 31.17	\$12.95	\$28.37

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Many Vocational Education and Training Teachers and Instructors work full-time averaging 38 hours per week. Some work part-time at an average of 19 hours weekly. A few work seasonally at an average of 8 hours per week.

	Employer			Shared		Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	ost	Pays All		
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT	
Medical Insurance	25%	0%	13%	13%	0%	0%	
Dental Insurance	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Vision Insurance	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Life Insurance	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Sick Leave	25%	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Vacation	25%	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Retirement Plan	13%	0%	25%	0%	0%	0%	
Child Care	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 8 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Vocational Education Teachers & Instructors

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, walk-in applicants, newspaper ads, and the Internet.

**Employer Responses:** 8 employers, representing 61 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

Size of Employment: 340 - 380 (Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 46% of workers are

male, 54% are female.

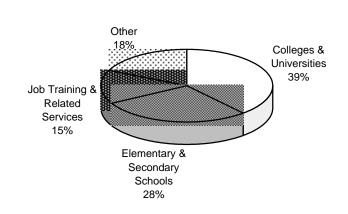
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 40
Separations to 2004: 20
Total Openings: 60

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 11.8%, which is growing at an average rate. The average new job growth rate for all occupations in the county is 10.9%. All employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

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#### OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Career Planning Instructor, Facilitator, Flight Instructor

**Related DOT Code:** 090.222-010, 097.221-010, 099.227-030, 166.221-010, 689.324-010, 788.222-010, 522.264-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> Employers responding do not report any promotional opportunities.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 9.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Some employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

## **TEACHERS -- ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

### **OES 313050**

Elementary School Teachers teach elementary (kindergarten through eighth grade) pupils in public or private schools basic academic, social, and other formative skills. Please do not include special education teachers who teach only handicapped pupils.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: Almost all employers report that they require a bachelor's degree prior to hiring an applicant for this occupation. Graduate study, which includes student teaching, is consistent with the State of California's credentialing requirements for Elementary School Teachers. Persons interested in this career are encouraged to contact both the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and the Department of Education at a state university.

**Experience:** Almost all employers report that they do not require but prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 12 - 36 months of teaching experience.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	88%
Dental Insurance:	88%
Vision Insurance:	81%
Life Insurance:	56%
Paid Vacation:	31%
Paid Sick Leave:	94%
Retirement Plan:	75%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

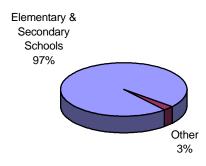
#### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Elementary School Teachers work full-time for an average of 38 hours per week. Few work part-time averaging 18 hours weekly.

*Wages:	Non-Union <u>Range</u>	Union <u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$9.59 - 11.60	\$11.51 - 15.17	\$13.38
New Hires, With Experience:	\$8.00 - 11.94	\$14.11 - 19.18	\$14.38
After Three Years With Firm:	\$9.00 - 16.78	\$12.95 - 25.41	\$15.61

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

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## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to connect with young students

Audiovisual teaching skills

Artistic skils

Musical skills

Supervisory skills

Classroom management skills

Record keeping skills

Ability to administer first aid

Possession of a state teachers' certificate

Ability to read and write effectively

Problem solving skills

Effective communication / interpersonal skills

Possession of a clean police record

Ability to exercise patience

Understanding of a variety of cultures

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Teacher, Classroom Teacher

Related DOT Code: 092.227-010, 092.227-014

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to principal or other administrative position

**No.** Employers responding report that 82% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 8.5% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Most employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: colleges/universities, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	X
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Elementary School Teachers

Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 16 employers, representing 952 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 820 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 110

Separations to 2002: 120 Total Openings: 230

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 13.4%, which is growing slower than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate a decline in growth over this period.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 18% of workers are male, 82% are female.

## TEACHERS, PRESCHOOL

**OES 313030** 

Preschool Teachers instruct children (normally up to 5 years of age) in activities designed to promote social, physical, and intellectual growth needed for primary school in preschool, day care center, or other child development facility. May be required to hold State certification.

### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Among those surveyed, all employers report they require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. All responding indicate they require technical or vocational training prior to hire. Employers generally express this training as the completion of 12 units of early childhood education.

<u>Experience</u>: Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 12 months of preschool teaching or other childcare-related experience.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to speak to others to effectively convey information

Able to use multiple approaches when learning or teaching new things Able to teach others how to do something

Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react the way they do

Able to listen to what others are saying and ask questions as appropriate Able to understand written sentences and paragraphs in work documents

Able to assess how well one is doing when learning or doing something

Able to adjust actions in relation to others' actions

Able to develop approaches for implementing an idea

Able to manage one's own time and the time of others

Able to administer emergency first aid

Possession of a clean police record

Understanding of a variety of cultures

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience	\$6.00 - 8.48	\$6.75
New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.00 - 9.59	\$7.00
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$7.00 - 10.55	\$8.50

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Many Preschool Teachers work full-time averaging 40 hours per week. Many work part-time averaging 22 hours weekly.

	Employer		Sha	red	Employee	
	Pa	aid	Co	st	Pays All	
	FT	PT	FT	PT	FT	PT
Medical Insurance	13%	7%	27%	0%	0%	0%
Dental Insurance	13%	7%	20%	0%	0%	0%
Vision Insurance	13%	7%	13%	0%	0%	0%
Life Insurance	13%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	33%	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Vacation	40%	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	13%	7%	7%	0%	0%	0%
Child Care	7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	Х
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Preschool Teachers
Experienced applicants: Not Competitve
Inexperienced applicants: Not Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, college & universities, and current employee referrals.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 150 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

**Size of Employment:** 300 - 340 (Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 19% of workers are

male, 81% are female.

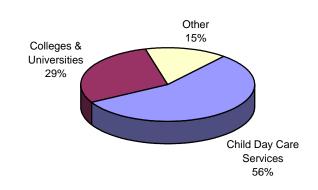
## **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 40
Separations to 2004: 40
Total Openings: 80

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 13.3%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

### Where The Jobs Are



### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Assistant Teacher, Teacher

**Related DOT Code:** 092.227-018

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted from assistant teacher to teacher, from teacher to coordinator; may be promoted to supervisor

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 25.3% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

### **TEACHERS -- SECONDARY SCHOOL**

### **OES 313080**

Secondary School Teachers instruct students in public or private high schools in one or more subjects, such as English, mathematics, or social studies. Please include vocational high school teachers. Please do not include special education teachers who teach only students with disabilities.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** All employers report they require a bachelor's degree prior to hiring an applicant for this occupation. Graduate study, which includes student teaching, is consistent with the State of California's credentialing requirements for Secondary School Teachers. Persons interested in this career are encouraged to contact both the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and the Department of Education at a state university.

**Experience:** Most employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They indicate a preference for hiring applicants with 24 - 36 months of prior teaching experience.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

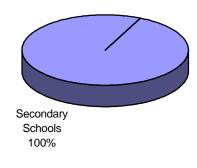
	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	100%
Vision Insurance:	100%
Life Insurance:	29%
Paid Vacation:	14%
Paid Sick Leave:	100%
Retirement Plan:	71%

### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Secondary School Teachers work full-time averaging 36 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$12.47 - 17.01	\$15.17
New Hires, With Experience:	\$14.38 - 19.13	\$15.82
After Three Years With Firm:	\$17.10 - 23.01	\$18.22

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<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 7 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Audiovisual teaching skills

Supervisory skills

Classroom management skills

Record keeping skills

Ability to administer emergency first aid

Possession of a state teacher's credential

Ability to write effectively and legibly

Problem solving skills

Understanding of a variety of cultures

Possession of a clean police record

Ability to connect with students

Oral communication skills / public contact skills

Ability to work under pressure

Ability to exercise patience

Coaching skills are desirable

Bilingual skills are desirable

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: High School Teacher, Secondary

Classroom Teacher

**Related DOT Code:** 091.227-010, 091.221-010

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to principal or other administrative positions

**No.** Employers responding report that 48% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 10.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. All employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: colleges or universities, newspaper ads, and walk-in applicants.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult		
Not Difficult		X

The Job Market for: Secondary School Teachers

Experienced applicants: Not Available Inexperienced applicants: Very Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 7 employers, representing 602 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 690 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 150

Separations to 2002: 140 Total Openings: 290

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 21.7%, which is growing faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 52% of workers are male, 48% are female.

### **TEACHERS -- SPECIAL EDUCATION**

### **OES 313110**

Special Education Teachers teach elementary and secondary school subjects to educationally and physically handicapped students. Please include teachers who specialize and work with audibly and visually handicapped students and those who teach basic academic and life processes skills to the mentally retarded.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

Education and Training: All new hires possess a bachelor's degree. Most of these have pursued graduate level work. Graduate study is consistent with the State of California's credentialing requirements for Special Education Teachers. Persons interested in this career are encouraged to contact both the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and the Department of Education at a state university.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they usually or always require work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 10 - 24 months of prior teaching experience. Those not requiring previous experience still require student teaching, in accordance with state regulations.

#### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	100%
Dental Insurance:	100%
Vision Insurance:	100%
Life Insurance:	27%
Paid Vacation:	27%
Paid Sick Leave:	100%
Retirement Plan:	100%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 11 employers responding to this particular question.

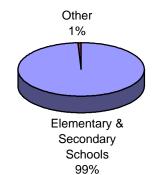
### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Special Education Teachers work full-time averaging 39 hours per week.

	Non-Union	Union	Non-Union	Union
*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$16.43 - \$16.43	\$11.71 - \$15.48	\$16.43	\$13.63
New Hires, With Experience:	\$16.43 - \$16.43	\$14.42 - \$23.97	\$16.43	\$15.54
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After Three Years With Firm:	\$16.93 - \$16.93	\$14.99 - \$24.93	\$16.93	\$18.17
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<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

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### **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Sign language skills

Ability to read braille

Ability to read lips

Ability to teach physical education

Ability to use computers as a teaching tool

Classroom management skills

Ability to plan and organize training programs

Ability to write effectively

Ability to handle crisis situations

Willingness to travel

Imagination and creativity

Ability to work independently

Ability to maintain classroom discipline

Ability to exercise patience

Emerging skills place an emphasis on computer literacy

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Alternate Job Titles:</u> Resource Specialist Teacher, Special

Day Class Teacher

**Related DOT Code:** 099.227-042, 094.224-010, 094.224-014,

094.224-018, 094.227-022, 094.227-030

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to principal, vice principal,

or other administrative position

Nontraditional Occupation: No. Employers responding

report that 71% of the workers are female.

**Turnover:** Moderately Low. The rate is 9.5% for employees in

this occupation over the past 12 months.

**Unionization:** Yes. Almost all employers surveyed report they

are unionized. Almost all employees belong to a union.

#### SUPPLY AND DEMAND

**Recruitment Methods:** The most frequently used methods to recruit new employees include: newspaper ads, public school or program referrals, in-house promotion or transfer, and current employee referrals.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Great Difficulty		
Some Difficulty	Х	X
Little Difficulty		
No Difficulty		

The Job Market for: Special Education Teachers

Experienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive Inexperienced applicants: Somewhat Competitive

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 200 -- Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2000: 70

Separations to 2000: 20 Total Openings: 90

<u>Growth Trends:</u> The new job growth rate for this occupation is 35.0%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next three years.

**Employer Responses:** 11 employers, representing 126 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### TRUCK DRIVERS -- HEAVY OR TRACTOR TRAILER

**OES 971020** 

Heavy or Tractor Trailer Truck Drivers drive tractor-trailer combinations or trucks with a capacity of more than three tons to transport and deliver goods, livestock, or materials in liquid, loose or packaged form. They may be required to unload trucks.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

<u>Education and Training:</u> Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Almost all indicate they require technical or vocational training from a truck driving school prior to hire.

<u>Experience:</u> Most employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 24 months of trucking or trucking-related experience.

### **Skills and Qualifications:**

Able to operate a fork lift

Able to read invoices

Record keeping skills

Able to drive trucks long distances

Able to load and unload freight

Able to meet Interstate Commerce Commission requirements

Possession of a Class A driver's license

Possession of a Class B driver's license

Knowledge of local streets

Able to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Able to lift at least 75 pounds repeatedly

Able to work independently

Possession of a good Department of Motor Vehicles driving record

Able to read and follow instructions

Able to read a road map

#### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience New Hires, W/ Experience	\$11.97 - 24.57 \$8.00 - 20.00	\$14.00 \$13.50
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$10.00 - 21.25	\$14.49

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Most Truck Drivers work full-time averaging 44 hours per week. A few work part-time averaging 24 hours weekly.

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	53%	20%	0%
Dental Insurance	20%	7%	0%
Vision Insurance	20%	7%	0%
Life Insurance	47%	0%	0%
Sick Leave	13%	0%	0%
Vacation	87%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	7%	27%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 15 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult	Х	
Moderately Difficult		Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Truck Drivers -- Heavy or Tractor Trailer

Experienced applicants: Not Competitive

Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and walk-in applicants.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 15 employers, representing 143 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

**Size of Employment:** 490 - 600 (Very Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 99% of workers are

male, 1% are female.

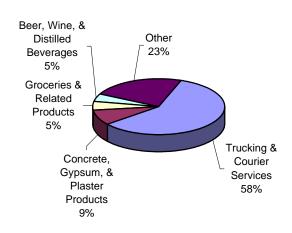
### **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 110
Separations to 2004: 50
Total Openings: 160

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 22.4%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Almost all employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Mover

**Related DOT Code:** 900.683-010, 902.683-010, 903.683-018, 904.383-010, 904.683-010, 905.663-010, 905.663-014

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to dispatcher, or supervisor

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 18.9% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

YEAR STUDIED: 1999

## TRUCK DRIVERS, LIGHT -- INCLUDE DELIVERY AND ROUTE

### **OES 971050**

Light Truck Drivers, including Delivery and Route Workers, drive vehicles with a capacity under 3 tons. They deliver or pick up merchandise and may load and unload trucks. Please do not include workers whose duties include sales.

#### **EDUCATION / TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

**Education and Training:** Most employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent prior to hiring an applicant in this occupation. Few indicate they require vocational or technical training prior to employment. However, some employers report that they will accept training as a substitute for experience. A few indicate that a hazardous materials certificate is a requirement.

**Experience:** Many employers report that they require or prefer work-related experience. They tend to hire applicants with 6 - 24 months of prior truck driving experience.

### % of EMPLOYERS\* OFFERING FRINGE BENEFITS

	<u>Full-Time</u>
Medical Insurance:	82%
Dental Insurance:	53%
Vision Insurance:	53%
Life Insurance:	29%
Paid Vacation:	82%
Paid Sick Leave:	65%
Retirement Plan:	53%

### **HOURS AND WAGES**

**Hours:** Almost all Light Truck Drivers work full-time averaging 42 hours per week.

*Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience:	\$5.75 - 9.00	\$7.00
New Hires, With Experience:	\$5.75 - 9.00	\$7.00
After Three Years With Firm:	\$6.50 - 12.00	\$8.88

<sup>\*</sup>Few firms indicate they pay commission and/or safety awards in addition to wages.

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Motor Freight Transportation	10.8%
Individual & Family Services	9.3%
Automotive Repair, Services & Parking	8.4%
Newspapers	4.8%
Home Furniture, Furnishings & Equipment	4.8%
Eating Places	4.2%
Automotive Dealers	4.2%
Building Materials, Hardware, Garden	3.2%
Linen Supply	3.2%
Business Services	2.4%
Air Courier Services	2.0%
Other	24.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 17 employers responding to this particular question.

<sup>\*</sup>Wages reflect economic situation subsequent to state minimum wage adjustments of 03 /01/98.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Employers rated the following qualifications very important:**

Ability to operate a fork lift

Ability to read invoices

Record keeping skills

Ability to load and unload freight

Map reading skills

Possession of a valid Class A driver's license

Possession of a valid Class B driver's license

Knowledge of local streets

Ability to pass a pre-employment medical examination

Ability to lift at least 75 lbs. repeatedly

Ability to work independently

Possession of a good DMV driving record

Ability to read and follow instructions

Oral communication skills

Customer service skills / people skills

### **OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alternate Job Titles: Driver, Delivery Driver, Warehouse Person, Receiving Person

**Related DOT Code:** 906.683-010, 906.683-014, 906.683-018, 906.683-022, 913.663-018, 919.663-022

<u>Career Ladders:</u> May be promoted to warehouse clerk, route supervisor, foreman, dispatcher, salesperson, branch manager

**Nontraditional Occupation:** Yes. Employers responding report that 12% of workers are female.

<u>Turnover:</u> The rate is 39.8% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Unionization:</u> Yes. Few employers responding indicate their workers are unionized.

#### **SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: current employee referrals, newspaper ads, walk-in applicants, and the Employment Development Department.

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	X	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Truck Drivers -- Light
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Employer Responses:** 17 employers, representing 98 employees in this occupation, supplied the data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

### OCCUPATIONAL SIZE & GROWTH -- 1995 TO 2002

**EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS** 

Size of 1995 Employment: 440 -- Very Large

**Growth Projections:** New jobs through 2002: 70

Separations to 2002: 50 Total Openings: 120

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 15.9%, which is growing slower than the average job growth rate of 18.7% for all occupations in the county. Many employers responding report their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Many anticipate new growth.

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 88% of workers are male, 12% are female.

### **WELDERS AND CUTTERS**

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Welders and Cutters use flamecutting, hand, arc, and gas welding equipment, and gas torches, to weld together metal components of such products as pipelines, automobiles, boilers, and ships, or join together components of fabricated sheet metal assemblies, or cut, trim, or scarf metal objects to dimensions as specified by layout, work orders, or blueprints.

#### **EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS**

Education and Training: Many employers report they require a high school diploma or equivalent. Most indicate they require or prefer technical or vocational training in welding prior to hire.

<u>Experience</u>: Almost all employers report they require or prefer work experience in this occupation. They tend to hire applicants with 12 - 36 months of previous welding or welding-related experience.

### Skills and Qualifications:

Able to inspect and evaluate the quality of products

Able to read blueprints

Able to read working drawings

Arc & gas welding skills

Able to use precision tools and other equipment needed to do a job

Able to perform routine maintenance and determine when and what type of maintenance is needed

Able to install equipment, machines, wiring, or programs to meet specifications

Possession of mechanical aptitude

Able to use mathematics to solve problems

Able to work continuously for 2 or more hours

Able to work in awkward positions

Able to work independently

Able to write legibly

### **WAGES AND BENEFITS**

Wages:	<u>Range</u>	<u>Median</u>
New Hires, No Experience New Hires, W/ Experience	\$6.50 - 10.00 \$7.50 - 12.50	\$7.78 \$9.25
After Three Years W/ Firm	\$9.00 - 18.00	\$12.75

<u>Hours Worked:</u> Almost all Welders & Cutters work full-time averaging 40 hours per week.

	Employer Paid	Shared Cost	Employee Pays All
Medical Insurance	31%	63%	0%
Dental Insurance	25%	56%	6%
Vision Insurance	13%	31%	0%
Life Insurance	31%	6%	0%
Sick Leave	50%	0%	0%
Vacation	94%	0%	0%
Retirement Plan	6%	75%	0%
Child Care	0%	0%	0%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage is based on 16 employers responding to this particular question.

### **Supply and Demand:**

Employers' Difficulty in	Experienced	Inexperienced
Finding Qualified Applicants	Applicants	Applicants
Very Difficult		
Moderately Difficult	Х	Х
Not Difficult		

The Job Market for: Welders and Cutters
Experienced applicants: Moderately Competitive
Inexperienced applicants: Moderately Competitive

**Recruitment Methods:** The most successful methods used in recruiting new employees include: newspaper ads, current employee referrals, and colleges & universities.

<u>Employer Responses:</u> 16 employers, representing 199 employees in this occupation, supplied data used in developing the analysis of this occupational profile.

## **Size of Occupation:**

**Size of Employment:** 280 - 330 (Large)

**Gender:** Employers responding indicate 100% of workers are

male, 0% are female.

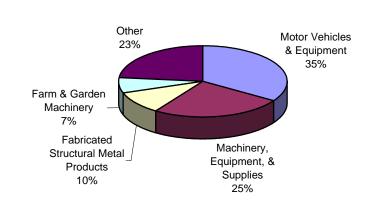
### **Projections:**

EDD OCCUPATIONAL PROJECTIONS -- 1997 TO 2004

New jobs through 2004: 50
Separations to 2004: 50
Total Openings: 100

**Growth Trends:** The new job growth rate for this occupation is 17.9%, which is growing much faster than the average new job growth rate of 10.9% for all occupations in the county. Most employers responding project their firm's employment in this occupation to remain stable over the next two years. Some anticipate new growth over this period.

### Where The Jobs Are



### OTHER INFORMATION:

Alternate Job Titles: Certified Welder

**Related DOT Code:** 810.384-014, 811.684-014, 819.361-010, 819.361-014, 819.384-010, 819.684-010, 810.384-010

<u>Promotional Opportunities:</u> May be promoted to supervisor, foreperson, or field supervisor

<u>Turnover:</u> Among employers surveyed, the rate is 14.1% for employees in this occupation over the past 12 months.

<u>Union/Collective Bargaining:</u> Yes. Few employers surveyed report their employees are unionized.

2000 - 2001

**BUTTE COUNTY** 

**TRAINING** 

**DIRECTORY** 

### **OVERVIEW**

The 2000/2001 Butte County Training Directory is produced as part of the statewide CCOIS. The development of this directory is through a cooperative effort between the Private Industry Council of Butte County, the Labor Market Information Division of the State of California Employment Development Department, and the California Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (COICC).

The COICC is an interagency committee created by federal and state law to promote the development, distribution and use of occupational, labor market and career information. The COICC also supports training to enhance the skills of those in the career development and workforce preparation communities. Its primary responsibility is to coordinate the development of an occupational information system that will serve the needs of vocational education, employment and training programs, and career guidance. Additionally, the COICC facilitates coordination and communication among and between the developers and users of occupational information.

The purpose of this directory is to provide basic information on the training programs available to residents of Butte County. Unless otherwise noted, the programs listed are those which prepare persons for entry into one or more specific occupations.

Users of this directory should note we do not endorse or recommend any particular schools or training providers of programs. While we have made a sincere effort to ensure that the information is as accurate and up-to-date as possible, information changes frequently. Please contact the schools or training providers directly to verify the information. Please let us know if there are additional programs that should be included in future editions of this directory.

## **HOW CAN I USE THIS DIRECTORY?**

The data in this directory is intended for use by various workforce development agencies, training providers, organizations, and individuals. Some of the ways in which this directory can be used are as follows:

- It can be used as a reliable reference resource for career and vocational training programs available throughout Butte County.
- It can be used by employers interested in finding skilled workers or in search of training programs for new or current employees.
- Counselors and employment training professionals can use this directory to assist individuals in selecting training programs that meet their individual goals and needs.

# **Local Training Providers**

Training is provided in the county for these occupations that were surveyed in 2000. Please refer to updated course catalogs or contact providers directly for current information. Information about the training programs may be found on the following pages:

Automotive Mechanics Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

Child Care Workers

Butte Community College

California State University, Chico

Combined Food Preparation and Service Workers

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

Computer Support Specialists

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

California State University, Chico Computer Learning Center Computer and Tutors Oroville Adult School

Hosts, Hostesses -- Restaurant, Lounge or Coffee Shop

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

**Instructors and Coaches -- Sports and Physical Training**Butte Community College

California State University, Chico

Recreation Workers

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

California State University, Chico

Respiratory Care Practitioners

Butte Community College

Salespersons -- Retail (Except Vehicle Sales)

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

J K Hannis Marketing & Training

Sheet Metal Workers

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

Oroville Adult School

Systems Analysts -- Electronic Data Processing

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

California State University, Chico

Computer Learning Center Computer and Tutors Oroville Adult School

**Teachers and Instructors -- Vocational Education and Training**Butte Community College

Teachers -- Preschool Butte Community College

California State University, Chico

Truck Drivers -- Heavy or Tractor Trailer Foster Elite Truck Driving School

Welders and Cutters

Butte Community College

Butte County Regional Occupational Program

Oroville Adult School

Training is not provided within the county for these occupations that were surveyed in 2000:

Dispatchers -- Except Police, Fire, and Ambulance Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics Painters, Paperhangers -- Construction and Maintenance Personal and Home Care Aides Roofers

## **Butte Community College**

3536 Butte Campus Drive, Oroville, CA 95965

Phone: (530) 895-2361 Fax: (530) 895-2411

Internet Address: <a href="www.butte.cc.ca.us">www.butte.cc.ca.us</a></a> E-mail: Admissions@butte.cc.ca.us

#### **Available Services:**

Career Counseling
Counseling
Distance Learning
English As Second Language Services
Financial Aid
Job Placement
On-Site Child Care
Veteran Approved

## **Occupational Objective:**

Auto/Automotive Mechanic/Technician
Child Development, Care Guidance
Computer and Information Sciences, General
Educational/Instructional Media Technology/ Technician
Family/Consumer Resource Management, Other
Food and Beverage/Restaurant Operations Manager
Institutional Food Services Administrator
Parks, Recreation and Leisure Facilities Management
Physical Education Teaching and Coaching
Pre-elementary/Early Childhood/Kindergarten Teacher Education
Respiratory Therapy Technician
Welder/Welding Technologist

### **Butte County Regional Occupational Program**

9341 A Midway, Durham, CA 95938

Phone: (530) 891-2929 Fax: (530) 891-2909

Internet Address: <a href="www.bcoe.butte.k12.ca.us">www.bcoe.butte.k12.ca.us</a>
E-mail: <a href="kgreenma@bcoe.butte.k12.ca.us">kgreenma@bcoe.butte.k12.ca.us</a>

#### **Available Services:**

Career Development Counseling Job Placement

## **Occupational Objective:**

Auto/Automotive Body Repairer Computer and Information Sciences, General General Selling Skills and Sales Operations Institutional Food Workers and Administrators, General Recreation Products/Services Marketing Operations Welder/Welding Technologist

## California State University, Chico

400 West First Street, Chico, CA 95929

Phone: (530) 898-6101 Fax: (530) 898-4381

Internet Address: www.csuchico.edu

E-mail: ADMISSIONS STUDENT@macgate.csuchi

#### **Available Services:**

Career Development
Counseling
Distance Learning
English As Second Language Services
Financial Aid
Job Placement
On-Site Child Care
Open Entry/Open Exit

## **Occupational Objective:**

Veteran Approved

Child Development, Care and Guidance Computer Science Information Science and Systems Parks, Recreation, and Leisure Facilities Management Physical Education Teaching and Coaching

# **Computer Learning Center**

2201 Pillsbury Road Suite E-2, Chico, CA 95926

Phone: (530) 345-4444 Fax: (530) 345-4454

Internet Address: <a href="www.computerlearningcenter.com">www.computerlearningcenter.com</a>
E-mail: <a href="mailto:support@computerlearningcenter.com">support@computerlearningcenter.com</a>

# Occupational Objective:

Computer and Information Sciences, General

## **Computers and Tutors**

9287 D Midway, Durham, CA 95938

Phone: (530) 342-5282 Fax: (530) 342-5282

E-mail: margij@hotmail.com

### **Available Services:**

Open Entry/Open Exit Veteran Approved

### **Occupational Objective:**

Computer and Information Sciences, General

## **Foster Elite Truck Driving School**

5015 Feather River Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95966

Phone: (530) 927-3535 Fax: (530) 527-5427

E-mail: Fosterelite@tco.net

#### **Available Services:**

Counseling
Financial Aid
English As Second Language Services
Job Placement
Veteran Approved

## **Occupational Objective:**

Truck, Bus and Other Commercial Vehicle Operator

# J K Hannis Marketing & Training

1362 Esplanade, Chico, CA 95926

Phone: (530) 342-0315 Fax: (530) 343-7275 E-mail: jkhannis@sunset.net

### **Available Services:**

Career Development Open Entry/Open Exit

## **Occupational Objective:**

**General Retailing Operations** 

## **Oroville Adult School**

2060 Second Street, Oroville, CA 95966 (530) 534-7912

Fax: (530) 534-8546

E-mail: drobinso@ben.bcoe.butte.k12.ca.us

## **Available Services:**

Counseling English As Second Language Services Open Entry/Open Exit Veteran Approved

## **Occupational Objective:**

Computer and Information Sciences, General Welder/Welding Technologist